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## PEACE MOVE IN INDO-CHINA

### New proposals to French believed in offering MOVE BY NATIONALISTS

Saigon, March 5.

A group of Indo-China nationalists, including members of Viet-minh (the nationalist insurgent movement) is believed to be ready to make new proposals to France to end the warfare in Indo-China, according to generally well-informed nationalist sources.

## ANTI-RED MEASURES IN U.S.

Washington, March 4.  
Legislation cracking down on Communists and Communist front organizations in this country won approval today of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

The committee adopted a bill introduced by Senator Mundt, South Dakota Republican, which would:

1. Require the registration of 50,000 card-carrying American Communists and officials of Communist front organizations.

2. Call for the filing of financial reports disclosing sources of income of Red organizations and where the money is spent.

3. Compel the Communist groups to label material sent through the mails as propaganda and require an acknowledgment when Communist views were carried on the radio.

4. Deny Communists the right to work for the Federal Government and deprive them of U.S. passport privileges.

5. Still penalties are provided in the measure—a \$2,000 to \$5,000 fine and two years in jail.

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## After the decision



A mounted policeman clears a way for the Premier, Mr. Clement Attlee's car as he leaves Downing Street, after the meeting of the Cabinet, at which Labour decided to form a Government, using their small overall majority.—(AP Photo).

## HK TOO HARD A NUT FOR REDS TO CRACK--MACDONALD

Singapore, March 5.

Hong Kong was too strongly fortified for the Chinese Communists to attack, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Commissioner-General for South East Asia, declared today.

Hong Kong was "a stone wall which will hurt the attackers more than the attacked," and was of no real value to the Communists, Mr. MacDonald added.

He was speaking on the current political situation at a public meeting in Johore Bahru, the headquarters of the United Malaya National Organisation.

Reviewing the position in South East Asia, Mr. MacDonald described Burma as the weakest link in the democratic camp, and Malaya as "well out of reach of the powerful Communist punch."

Siam was powerfully opposed to Communism and detaching more openly denunciation of the Reds and allegiance to the democratic camp.

Indo-China was the likeliest spot for the Communists to launch their attack, and he warned that if it fell the cause of democracy would be lost to Communism in South East Asia.

Democratic nations must hope for victory for Bao Dai, he declared.

In Indonesia, the granting of independence by the Dutch had done much to remove the Communist threat and had been a tremendous strengthening of the democratic powers.

Immediate aid

The people of South East Asia must have immediate and effective economic aid and guidance in political aspirations from outside if the democracies want to include them in their anti-Communist campaign, Mr. MacDonald said.

Mr. MacDonald described the expression of political freedom in self-government and economic uplift as two causes which have claimed the passionate

## American to appeal to Moscow

New York, March 5.

The former United States Assistant Attorney-General, Mr. John Rogge, left by plane on Saturday for Moscow, where he said he expects to make a world peace appeal before the Soviet parliament.

"I hope to be able to appear before the parliament," he said, "and make proposals on the outlawing of atomic weapons, and of all weapons of mass destruction, and on the necessity of a world disarmament programme."

Mr. Rogge is a member of the Executive Committee of the World Congress of the Defenders of the Peace. He planned to meet members of the Committee in Paris before leaving for Moscow.

A visa for him to enter Russia is waiting for him in Paris.

Meanwhile, in Ottawa, Mr. Lester Pearson, Canadian External Affairs Minister said in Parliament that a special meeting of the United Nations Assembly should be held in Moscow.

In response to a comment in a foreign affairs debate, Mr. Pearson said that he felt that no means—except appeasement—of bridging the gap between the East and the West should be rejected.—Associated Press.

## French debate on sabotage bill adjourned

Paris, March 5.

The French Assembly recessed its debate on the Anti-Sabotage Bill early today after modifying the measure which the Communists have attempted for two days to block.

The debate was halted after 48 hours of non-stop discussion and will be resumed at 3 p.m. It continued through Saturday night as the Communist-led strike of longshoremen paralysed French and Algerian ports in a "dress rehearsal" for the Communist campaign to halt the delivery of American military supplies to France. The arms shipments are expected to arrive later this month.

The port strike was called by the Dockers' Federation of the Communist-dominated General Confederation of Labour. At Le Havre, Cherbourg and other big ports, officials reported the 24-hour "warning" strike-out was effective.

The Government sought quick action on the two bills that would impose stiff penalties on strike agitators and saboteurs. The Assembly amended one of them, however, and the Government immediately announced it considered the modified version ineffective and too liberal.

Later today the Assembly was to consider 77 other amendments, most of them proposed by Communists who for two days have attempted to delay legislation by filibustering.—United Press.

A big anti-invasion exercise was held in Southern Taiwan on Saturday.

In a mock battle, the enemy theoretically landed and established a beachhead, but this was erased.

One factor weighs heavily in all calculations on the future of the civil war: whether the Soviets will give the Chinese Reds active aid for the conquest of Taiwan.

Everyone expects to see sudden evidence of this in the form of an attack on this island.

This, it is believed, will be delivered by planes, the Reds are presently anxious to be equipped with Chinese Reds.

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## Hong Kong said training ground for Red agents

London, March 4.

A group of former British and French statesmen charged today that Hong Kong is the main training ground for Communist agents whose job it is to create havoc in South East Asia, thus enabling the Chinese Communists and Soviet Russia to conquer all Asia including India.

The group declared that Russia also is planning a Communist empire in Africa.

Known as the International Committee for Study of European Affairs, the group has headquarters in London and Paris. Its membership includes the former French Premier, M. Paul Reynaud, the former British Foreign Office chief, Lord Vansittart, Britain's wartime Minister of Aircraft Production, Lord Altracourt, and several British and French Parliamentarians.

The Committee issued a 42-page document detailing the "general organization of the Cominform and its present activities in Asia and Africa."

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## GREEK SCHOOL COLLAPSES

Athens, March 5.

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## THE WEATHER

At 0800 GMT (2 p.m. HKST), a moderate anticyclone, which covers S. Man, Chanting Japan and the adjacent seas, is moving Eastward. A depression is falling over China, and is due over the Western Channel.

Today's Forecast: Moderate E and SE winds. Partly cloudy. Mild.

Yesterday's Weather: Mainly clear, but with some rain in the morning. Mild.

Maximum (°C) 24. Minimum (°C) 16. Rainfall (mm) 0.0.

Wind direction (°) 135. Wind speed (knots) 10.

Barometer (mm Hg) 1012.0.

Relative humidity (%) 75.

Sea state: Moderate.







## Home soccer:

## F. A. Cup semi-finals will be a First Division monopoly

London, March 4.

The London clubs, Arsenal and Chelsea, and two teams from Liverpool, Everton and Liverpool, reached the F.A. Cup semi-finals as a result of today's fiercely fought sixth round ties. North and South will thus have two representatives each in the last stages of the struggle to reach Wembley.

Arsenal's solid defence proved too much for Leeds, the last remaining League II team, and so the semi-finals will be a First Division monopoly between two clubs, Arsenal and Everton, who are previous Cup winners, and two others, Chelsea and Liverpool, who have yet to have their names inscribed on the trophy.

The crowds at the four matches totalled 210,038, with aggregate receipts of £29,187. The biggest attendance and takings was at the Chelsea-Manchester United match where 70,362 people paid £10,032.

Chelsea's victory meant the departure from the Cup competition of the side most strongly fancied for a Cup and League "double" but both Liverpool will be level with Manchester United at 40 points each, and Arsenal (35 points) still retain a chance of both League I and Cup honours.

In reaching the semi-final for the first time since 1932, Chelsea left no doubt of their superiority over the League leaders, who never looked to have a chance against a team in a dominating mood.

A piece of delightful football brought Chelsea's first goal after six minutes, but it seemed that Crompton should have saved Campbell's shot.

There was no such doubt about the second half goal by Bentley, which sealed the Chelsea success. Seldom in their history can Chelsea have played so consistently as during the last three months. They have lost only one of their last 17 matches—by a single goal to Manchester United.

## Best goal record

Chelsea's goal record is the best of the semi-finals, 10 to one.

A rousing into rally put Everton into their eleven semi-final and their first since they won the Cup in 1933. As in the previous round against Tottenham Hotspur, Everton was not considered to stand much chance, but once again they won at the first attempt, and like Arsenal, have not had to replay in any round.

Derby, throwing everything into the attack, played much the better football in the first half, even though Powell did not look too happy in his unusual role of outside left. Harrison scored soon after the restart, but then Everton staged a grandstand finish.

Wainwright forced an equaliser and the winning goal came direct from a corner kick taken by right-winger Buckle. Wainwright went to hospital after receiving a kick on the knee but no fracture was suspected.

## COMING TO THE LEE THEATRE



## Home Football League Standings

## FIRST DIVISION

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Manchester U.	30	18	10	2	61	29	40
Liverpool	30	14	12	4	54	31	38
Sunderland	31	16	8	7	50	47	38
Wolves	31	11	7	13	37	57	27
Portsmouth	30	14	8	8	52	36	36
Blackpool	31	14	8	9	52	36	36
Burnley	32	11	12	9	31	34	34
Middlesboro	30	14	6	11	39	38	38
Chelsea	30	10	12	8	48	42	32
Newcastle	31	11	9	11	51	47	31
Berby	32	7	10	15	48	51	24
Fulham	31	10	11	10	35	34	31
Villa	30	10	10	10	40	40	30
Sheff. Wed.	32	9	11	12	30	52	29
W. B.	30	7	11	12	35	58	28
Bolton	30	9	13	18	42	57	27
Huddersfield	32	9	7	16	35	63	25
Everton	30	14	14	2	27	22	32
Charlton	31	9	13	18	39	60	21
Manchester C.	31	9	16	16	26	58	21
Birmingham	31	6	18	17	54	58	18

## SECOND DIVISION

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Tottenham	31	24	4	3	70	34	52
Sheff. W.	33	14	12	7	47	41	40
Sheff. U.	30	18	11	6	51	40	37
Hull	32	12	8	12	39	50	32
Southampton	31	13	10	8	48	38	30
Leeds U.	31	15	9	7	39	31	35
Bury	31	18	6	12	52	41	32
Preston N.E.	32	12	12	8	42	39	32
Swansea	31	12	13	6	48	31	31
West Ham	31	11	9	11	37	37	31
Barnley	31	10	9	11	53	50	30
Brentford	32	10	10	12	33	40	30
Leicester	33	9	12	12	44	52	30
Sheff. F.	32	8	13	11	37	51	29
Grimsby	30	11	7	12	56	58	29
Chesham	32	11	7	14	30	34	29
Blackburn	31	7	14	14	41	48	28
Luton	31	7	11	13	32	46	25
Coventry	32	7	10	14	38	47	24
Plymouth	32	6	12	14	38	53	24
Queens' P.R.	31	7	10	13	30	51	24
Bradford	31	8	7	16	40	60	23

## THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Notts C.	30	22	4	4	69	40	48
Torquay	30	16	7	7	52	41	41
Notts F.	30	16	7	7	52	39	39
Northampton	30	14	8	8	53	39	36
Norwich	30	13	9	8	53	40	35
Southend	30	12	8	10	37	35	31
South Shields	31	12	8	11	32	34	31
Reading	31	15	4	12	58	49	34
Bournemouth	31	12	8	11	41	39	32
Widowson	32	7	12	13	50	57	31
Walsley	30	12	9	9	42	41	31
Palace	31	12	7	12	41	31	31
Brighton	31	11	7	13	45	60	29
Bristol R.	32	12	13	7	32	28	28
Walsall	31	8	11	12	43	41	27
Exeter	32	6	14	12	34	51	24
Albion	31	9	10	11	36	49	24
Spawley	31	7	9	15	38	64	23
Newport	29	9	9	10	50	57	23
Millwall	29	10	7	12	27	45	22
Exeter	30	7	15	18	45	70	22
Leyton	31	7	8	16	40	70	22

## THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Doncaster	30	15	11	4	46	25	41
Rochdale	32	17	5	10	53	32	39
Crewe	30	13	11	6	50	40	37
Lincoln	31	15	10	6	47	31	35
Gateshead	31	16	7	7	60	40	35
Tranmere	30	14	6	10	36	32	34
Oldham	32	18	8	11	44	44	34
Manfield	31	11	10	10	40	43	33
Radcliffe	31	12	11	8	43	34	33
Southport	32	12	8	12	41	46	32
Carlisle	30	10	10	10	67	44	31
Stockport	30	14	3	13	48	81	31
Accrington	32	6	14	14	48	80	30
St. Albans	31	11	11	9	42	52	30
New Brighton	32	10	9	13	34	69	29
Chester	32	12	3	17	64	61	27
Darlington	31	9	13	9	47	57	27
Hartlepool	31	11	5	15	42	63	27
Wrexham	32	12	6	14	44	56	26
Bradford C.	32	8	16	16	45	65	25
Hullfax	32	10	5	17	46	71	25
York	31	8	18	15	40	63	24

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE "A"

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rangers	30	18	5	7	47	20	39
Hibernians	30	17	4	9	54	28	38
Hearts	30	17	2	11	47	31	36
Dundee	30	12	7	11	43	36	31
Celtic	30	18	7	5	47	25	39
East Fife	31	11	6	14	44	59	29
St. Mirren	30	14	8	10	41	41	34
Aberdeen	30	14	4	12	37	39	32
Motherwell	30	8	18	14	41	60	21
Partick	30	12	13	5	35	20	29
Clyde	30	9	14	17	47	64	26
Falkirk	30	5	10	15	43	64	20
Ruth	30	6	7	17	38	52	19
Third Lanark	31	7	12	12	29	51	19
Oban	30	5	15	10	27	51	18
Stirling	30	5	15	10	27	51	18

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE "B"

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Morton	28	18	6	4	71	27	42
Airdrie	28	15	6	7	67	35	36
St. Johnstone	28	17	7	4	57	31	41
Kilmarnock	28	12	4	12	48	38	28
Hamilton	28	11	6	11	48	48	28
Forfar	28	10	7	11	48	57	27
Dunfermline	28	11	4	13	48	58	26
Greenock	28	10	7	11	47	48	26
Dundee U.	28	10	5	13	57	51	25
Queen's P.	30	8	4	18	35	52	22
Albion R.	28	6	10	12	37	52	22
Greenock M.	28	6	10	12	41	48	19
Arbroath	28	6	14	8	44	48	19
Dumfries	28	6	12	10	35	58	18
Arbroath	28	6	12	10	37	58	18
Alloa	28	6	12	10	37	58	18



St. Teresa's Church grounds were the scene of gaiety yesterday as hundreds thronged the compound to spend an enjoyable day at the Jubilee Fair. Numerous flag-bedecked stalls, catered both to young and old, providing all the fun of the fair. ("China Mail" Photo).

## Bazaar at St. Teresa's

A successful bazaar was held by St. Teresa's Church, Prince Edward Road, yesterday.

Held in commemoration of the Silver Jubilee of the Canonisation of St. Teresa, the bazaar was opened by the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almeida, K.C., who was welcomed by Father Orlando.

Throughout the day, hundreds of people including many children thronged the spacious grounds of the church and tried their luck at the games. Among the fair's many attractions was a cinema show featuring coloured cartoons which attracted many of the youngsters.

A 40-piece band under Bandmaster Brother De-Rest from the Aberdeen Industrial School provided music for the occasion. Members of the 13th, 16th and 18th Boy Scouts and 5th and 6th Companies, Girl Guides, and the Hong Kong Services Rover Crew were in attendance.

The Dominican House of Studies will celebrate the feast of St. Thomas Aquinas, Patron of All Catholic Schools, at Rosary Hill at 4.30 tomorrow.

The programme includes an academic debate on "It is lawful for man to hold private property; moreover it is necessary for human life," a choral entertainment by the choir, a play entitled "In Exile" by the Seminarians of All Catholic Schools, a talk on "The University of St. Thomas" by Reverend Father F. Cronin.

## Reminders

**Today**  
British Council sponsored lecture on Chinese Civilisation by Prof. Cheng To-kun, Council Library, 5.30 p.m.  
European YMCA Whist Drive, 8 p.m.

**Tomorrow**  
St. Andrew's Church Women's Guild meeting, 10 a.m.  
HK Stage Club, excerpts from "The Chiltern Hundreds," 8 p.m.

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## Stage Club to present 'The Chiltern Hundreds'

Hong Kong Stage Club will present "The Chiltern Hundreds" at the China Fleet Club theatre this week. The play will open on Thursday night and run for three days.

Ever since its foundation, the Hong Kong Stage Club has tried to present classics like "Everyman," "Twelfth Night" and "Androcles and the Lion" and to bring new plays to the attention of audiences in the Colony.

Frequently, by special arrangements with the agents, it has been able to present plays which, strictly speaking had not yet been cleared for production by amateurs. Thus, it was one of the first groups to present "An Inspector Calls" and "The Guinea Pig."

"The Chiltern Hundreds," which has been playing to packed houses in London, is an amusing play at any time, but with the General Election still only a few days behind us, it is topical. Many of its lines have the added spice of immediate application.

The play will be presented on three days at the China Fleet Club Theatre this week. The Governor will attend the first night on Thursday.





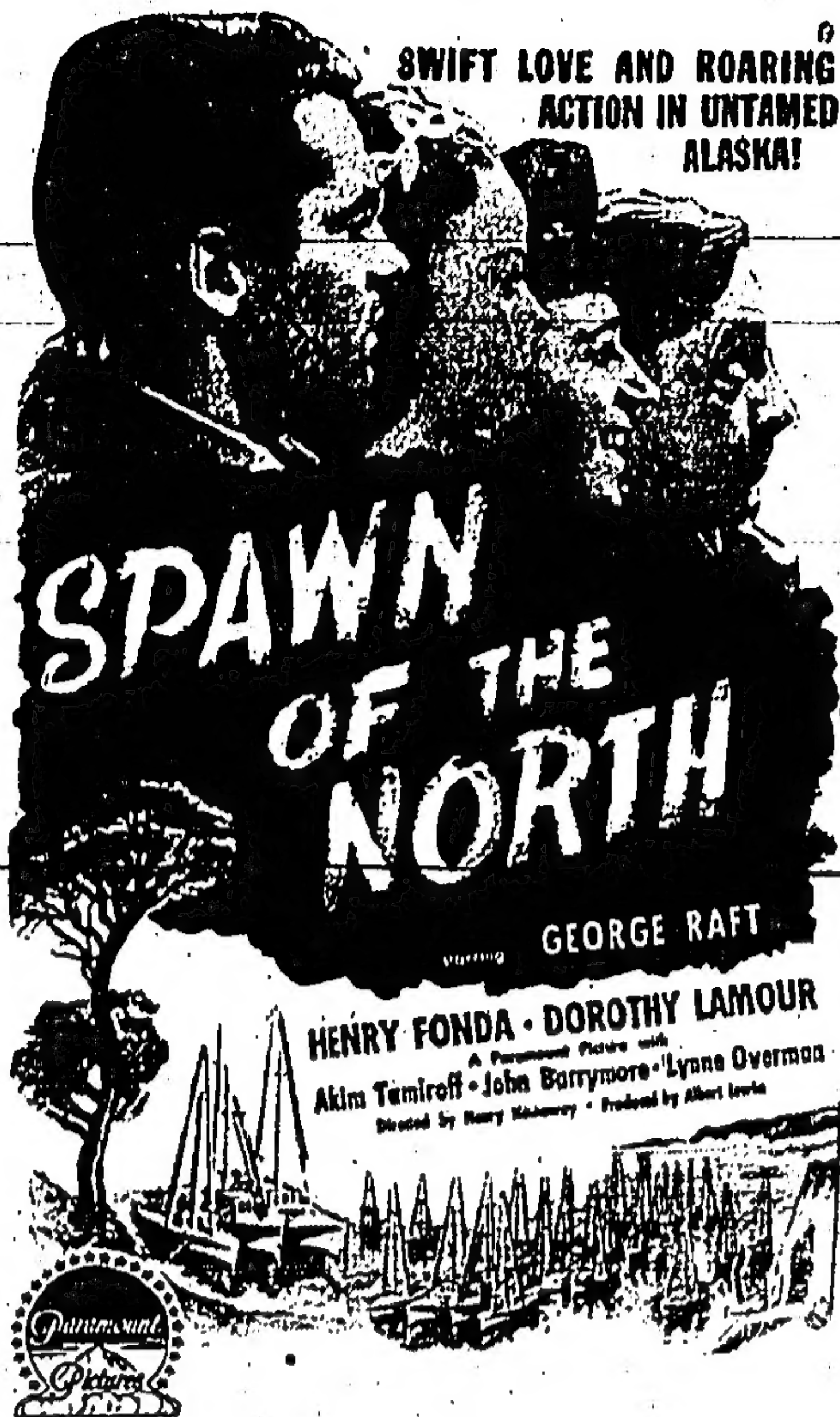


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TAKE ANY EAST BOUND TRAM OR ROUTE NO. 5 BUS

SHOWING TODAY

4 SHOWS AT 2.30, 5.15, 7.20 &amp; 9.20 P.M.



## CZECH STATE COURT SENTENCES DUTCHMAN

Prague, March 4.

The Dutch businessman, Johannes Louwers, was sentenced to 15 years' hard labour by a State court here today after a three-day trial on charges of espionage, economic sabotage and helping Czechs to flee the country.

The Czechoslovak defendants in the same trial received sentences ranging from 25 to 30 years' hard labour.

## REGIONAL PACT IN THE MED.

Ankara, March 4.

A high diplomatic source said today that the proposed treaty of friendship between Turkey and Italy will probably be the forerunner of a Mediterranean regional pact, eventually including Spain.

The Foreign Minister, Nedim Sadak, will leave at the end of this month for Rome to sign an Italo-Turkish agreement. This preliminary treaty will be broadened in conformity with the United Nations Charter into a non-military Mediterranean pact of co-operation against Communist propaganda onslaught in this part of the world.

Expected to join such an alliance are Greece, Lebanon, Syria, Egypt and other members of the Arab League.

Suggestions of a Mediterranean league have been made at regular intervals since the conclusion of the North Atlantic Pact. There is no confirmation for the diplomat's report in official quarters.

Turkey, however, as a Moslem nation, to announce some such bitter feelings aroused in the Middle East by a proposed merger of Syria and Iraq. Turkey has plans to eventually link Moslem Pakistan in a friendship arrangement with Moslem nations on the Mediterranean.

Spain will be included in the Mediterranean pact after it is fully recognised again by the United States and admitted to the United Nations.—United Press.

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FINAL SHOWING

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Change of Showing Times:

2.30, 5.00, 7.20 &amp; 9.40 p.m.



TOMORROW

George Sanders

Linda Darnell

in Anton Chekov's

"SUMMER STORM"

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DIALOGUE WITH MOST FAMOUS STARS IN THE CAST!



COMING TO THE LEE



## Mao Tse-tung returns to Peking

London, March 4.

Mao Tse-tung, head of the Chinese People's Government, and his Foreign Minister, Chou En-lai, arrived in Peking tonight from the Soviet Union, where they concluded a 30-year treaty of friendship and alliance with Russia, the New China News Agency reported in a message received in London tonight.

Mao arrived in Moscow in the middle of December. He was joined some weeks later by Chou.

The treaty was signed on February 14 by Chou and the Soviet Foreign Minister, Andrei Vyshinsky.—Reuter.

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## HAIL FALLS ON PYRAMIDS

Cairo, March 4.

Hail fell on the Pyramids today. Experts say it was one of the few such storms recorded in history. Individual hailstones four centimetres in circumference fell for about eight minutes.—Associated Press.

## MAJESTIC

SHOWING TODAY

AT 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 &amp; 9.30 P.M.

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## THE SHOCK-DRAMA OF OUR WAYWARD BOYS AND GIRLS!

CITY ACROSS THE RIVER

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## U.S. ARMS FOR INDO-CHINA

Washington, March 4.

A reliable diplomatic source said today that when the French aircraft carrier, Dixmude, reaches Norfolk, Virginia, next week, it will load 60 training planes under the arms aid programme and also war materials for Indo-China.

The Dixmude will make two voyages as a total of 120 training planes will be sent to France. The planes are badly needed by French Naval pilots as obsolete Spitfires formerly used have become too dangerous to fly.

Spare parts and other equipment for combating the Communists in Indo-China will also be loaded on the Dixmude and these have been said for by French free dollars. Other equipment under the arms aid programme may be loaded on the Dixmude if there is room in her holds.—United Press.

## STEPHEN McNALLY

SUE ENGLAND - BARBARA WHITING

and introducing "THE DUKES"

— NEXT CHANGE —

Ralph Richardson in

"FOUR FEATHERS"

Color by Technicolor

## QUEEN'S ALHAMBRA

Showing Today At 2.30, 5.15, 7.20 &amp; 9.30 p.m.



## JAMES CAGNEY

Nominated For The Academy Award As The Best Actor in "WHITE HEAT"

## WHITE HEAT

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## ALL TRUMPS FOR MARCH

The Academy Award Month

## BATTLEGROUND

Nominated as the Best Picture

## JAMES CAGNEY

in Warner Bros. "WHITE HEAT"

Nominated as the Best Actor

## JAMES STEWART

in M-G-M "THE STRATTON STORY"

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## QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA

## Liberty

FINAL 4 SHOWS

AT 2.30, 5.10, 7.20 &amp; 9.30 P.M.

## BONNIE PRINCE CHARLIE

London Films Presents

David Niven in

"GAMBLING HELL"

MAURICE DEKOBRA'S THRILL—

CRAMMED DRAMA OF THE FAR EAST!

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MAURICE DEKOBRA'S

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## ERIC VON STROHEIM

in

"GAMBLING HELL"

in Sam

HAYAKAWA

KUNITA BALIN

Produced by JEAN DELANDY

For The First Time in Hong Kong

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## WINSTON CHURCHILL'S WAR MEMOIRS: THE THIRD BOOK

# THE GRAND ALLIANCE

## The Belgrade revolt

By Winston Churchill



hoping not to provoke him, while steadily dinner-time approaches.

At the end of January, 1941, in these days of growing anxiety, Colonel Donovan, a friend of President Roosevelt, came to Belgrade on a mission from the American Government to sound opinion in the Balkans. Europe was in a state of tension. The leading politicians did not dare to speak their minds. Prince Paul declined a proposed visit from Mr. Eden.

There was one exception. An Air Force general named Simovic represented the nationalist elements among the Office Corps of the armed forces. Since December his office in the Air Force headquarters across the river from Belgrade at Cetina had become a clandestine centre of opposition to German penetration into the Balkans and to the inertia of the Yugoslav Government.

On February 14 Cvetkovic, the Prime Minister, and Markovic, obeyed a summons to Belgrade. Together they listened to the account of the night of victory in Germany and to the emphasis on the close relations between Berlin and Moscow. If Yugoslavia would adhere to the Tripartite Pact, Hitler offered, in the event of operations against Greece, not to march through Yugoslavia, but only to use the roads and railways for military supplies. The Ministers returned to Belgrade in a sombre mood.

To join the Axis might infuriate Serbia. To fight Germany might cause conflict of loyalty in Croatia, Greece, the only possible ally was heavily engaged with Italian armies of more than 200,000 men, and was under the menace of imminent German attack. English help seemed doubtful, and at the best symbolic.

### Encirclement

In order to help the Yugoslav Government to reach a satisfactory decision, Hitler proceeded with the strategic encirclement of their country. On March 1 Bulgaria adhered to the Tripartite Pact, and the same evening German motorised elements reached the Serbian frontiers. Meanwhile, to avoid provocation, the Yugoslav Army remained unpolished. The hour of choice had now struck.

On March 5 Prince Paul left Belgrade on a secret visit to the White Palace, Prince Paul's residence on the hills above Belgrade, was firm against capitulation. Serbia would not accept such a decision, and the dynasty would be endangered. But Prince Paul had already in effect committed his country.

From London I did what I could. I really thought the Yugoslavs would be able to hold out. I telegraphed to Dr. Cvetkovic.

22 March, 41.

Your Excellency. The eventual total defeat of Hitler and Mussolini is certain. No prudent and far-seeing man can doubt this in view of the resolute declared resolves of the British and American Governments. There are only 65 million malignant Huns, most of whom are already engaged in holding down Austrians, Czechs, Poles and many other ancient races they now bully and pillage. The peoples of the British Empire and of the United States number nearly 200 million in their homelands and British Dominions alone.

We possess the unchallengeable command of the oceans, and with American help will soon obtain decisive superiority in the air. The British Empire and the United States have more wealth and more technical resources than they make more than the whole of the rest of the world put together. They are determined that the cause of freedom shall not be trampled down nor the tide of world progress turned backwards by the criminal dictators, one of whom has already been irretrievably punctured.

We know that the hearts of all true Serbs, Croats and Slovenes beat for the freedom, integrity and independence of their country, and that they share the forward outlook of the English-speaking world. If Yugoslavia were at this time to stoop to the role of Rumania, or even the role of Bulgaria, and become a puppet in an attempted assassination of Greece, her ruin will be certain and irreparable. She will not accept, but will resist, the order of the day. She will not accept, but will resist, the order of the day. She will not accept, but will resist, the order of the day.

But on the evening of March 24 Cvetkovic and Markovic crept out of Belgrade from a suburban railway station on the Vienna train. Unknown to public opinion and the Press, they signed the pact with Hitler at Vienna on the next day. When the returned Ministers laid before the Yugoslav Cabinet the text of the pact three colleagues resigned, and rumours of imminent disaster swept through the cafes and conclaves of Belgrade.

I now sent instructions to Mr. Campbell, our Minister in Belgrade.

26 March, 41.

Do not let any gap grow up between you and Prince Paul or Ministers. Continue to pester, nag and bite. Demand audiences. Don't take NO for an answer. Cling on to them, pointing out Germany are already taking the subjugation of the country for granted. This is no time for reproaches or dignified farewells. Meanwhile, at the same time, do not neglect any alternative to which we may have to resort if we find present Government have gone beyond recall. Greatly admire all you have done so far. Keep it up by every means that occur to you.

Direct action; if the Government capitulated to Germany, had been discussed for some months in the small circle of officers round Simovic. A revolutionary stroke had been carefully planned. The leader of the projected rising was General Bora Mirkovic, commander of the Yugoslav Air Force, aided by Major Knezevic, an Army officer, and his brother, a professor, who established political contacts through his position in the Serb Democratic Party. Known as the plan was confined to a small number of trustworthy officers, nearly all below the rank of colonel. The network extended from Belgrade to the main garrisons in the country, Zagreb, Skopje, and Sarajevo.

When during March 26 the news of the return from Vienna of the Yugoslav Ministers and rumours of the pact began to circulate in Belgrade, the conspirators decided to act. The signal was given to seize key points in Belgrade, and the royal residence, together with the person of the young King, Peter II, by dawn on March 27.

While troops, under the command of resolute officers, were sealing off the Royal Palace, on the outskirts of the capital, Prince Paul, knowing nothing or too much of what was afoot, was in the train bound for Zagreb.

### Smooth revolution?

Few revolutions have gone more smoothly. There was no bloodshed. Certain senior officers were placed under arrest. Cvetkovic was brought by the police to Simovic's headquarters and obliged to sign a letter of resignation. Machine-guns and artillery were placed at suitable points in the capital. Prince Paul on arrival at Zagreb was informed that Simovic had taken over the Government in the name of the young King, Peter II, and that the Council of Regency had been dissolved.

The military commander of Zagreb requested the Prince to return at once to the capital. As soon as he reached Belgrade, Prince Paul was escorted to the office of General Simovic. Together with the other two regents he then signed the act of abdication. He was allowed a few hours to collect his effects, and together with his family, he left the country that night for Greece.

The plan had been made and executed by a close band of Serb nationalist officers without waiting upon public opinion. It fell loose an outburst of popular enthusiasm which may have surprised its authors. The streets of Belgrade were soon thronged with Serbs, chanting, "Neither war nor the pact; rather death than slavery." There was dancing in the squares; English and French flags appeared everywhere; the Serb national anthem was sung with wild defiance by valiant, helpless multitudes.

On March 28 the young King, who by climbing down a balcony had made his own escape from the palace, was taken to the town of Ploce, and then to the town of Cetina, and finally to the town of Zadar, where he was placed under the protection of the British and American navies.

surge of national vitality. A people paralysed in action, hitherto governed and ill-led, long haunted by the sense of being ensnared, flung their reckless, heroic defiance at the tyrant and conqueror in the moment of his greatest power.

Hitler was stung to the quick. He had a burst of that convulsive anger which momentarily blotted out thought and sometimes impelled him on his most dire adventures. In a cooler mood, a month later, conversing with Schulerberg German Ambassador to Russia he said, "The Yugoslav coup came suddenly out of the blue. When the news was brought to me on the morning of the 27th I thought it was a joke." But now in a passion he summoned the German High Command, Goering, Keitel and Jodl were present, and Ribbentrop arrived later.

### Uncertain factor

The minutes of the meeting are found in the Nuremberg records. Hitler described the Yugoslav situation after the upheaval. He said that Yugoslavia was an uncertain factor in the coming action against Greece ("Marita"), and even more in the "Barbarossa" undertaking against Russia later on. He deemed it fortunate that the Yugoslavs had revealed their temper before "Barbarossa" was launched.

The Fuehrer is determined, without waiting for possible loyalty declarations of the new Government, to make all preparations in order to destroy Yugoslavia militarily and as a national unit. No diplomatic inquiries will be made, nor ultimatums presented. Assurance of the Yugoslav Government, which cannot be trusted anyhow in the future, will be "taken note of." The attack will start as soon as the means and troops suitable for it are ready.

Actual military support against Yugoslavia is to be requested of Italy, Hungary, and in certain respects of Bulgaria too. Rumania's main task is the protection against Russia. The Hungarian and Bulgarian Ambassadors have already been notified. During the day a message will be addressed to the Duce.

Politically it is especially important that the blow against Yugoslavia is carried out with unmerciful harshness; and that the military destruction is done in a lightning-like undertaking. In this way Turkey would become sufficiently frightened and the campaign against Greece later on would be influenced in a favourable way.

The dramatic events of March 27, 1941, in Belgrade upset all hope of a united Balkan group adhering to the Axis. Hungary was directly and immediately affected. Although the main German thrust against the recalcitrant Yugoslavs would clearly come through Rumania, all lines of communication led through Hungarian territory. Almost the first reaction of the German Government to the events in Belgrade was to send the Hungarian Minister in Berlin by air to Budapest with an urgent message to the Hungarian Regent, Admiral Horthy.

Yugoslavia will be annihilated, for she has just renounced publicly the policy of understanding with the Axis. The greater part of the German armed forces must pass through Hungary. But the principal attack will not be made on the Hungarian sector. Here the Hungarian Army should intervene, and return for its co-operation, Hungary will be able to reoccupy all those former territories which she had been forced at one time to cede to Yugoslavia.

Hungary was bound by a pact of friendship to Yugoslavia signed only in December, 1940. But open opposition to the German demands could only lead to the German occupation of Hungary in the course of the imminent military operations. There was also the temptation to re-occupy the territories on her South-east frontiers which Hungary had lost to Yugoslavia by the Treaty of Trianon.



Give me a Glimpse. "Also taking part in the concert will be the Cathedral choir."

Hollywood film star has just taken her fourth husband. Her children will have some trouble if they decide to visit the land of their four fathers.

The Tramways dispute is said to be suspended until after the decision of the arbitration tribunal is known. "For the life of me I can't see why employees and management can't get together once and for all against their common enemy, the travelling public."

Write turn. A local editor is still puzzling over the remark of an acquaintance to whom he remarked, "I have neuritis." "Well," said the acquaintance, "you certainly needed some."

Correspondent to an English newspaper says he saw a crowd of ants pushing a lump of sugar across his lawn. He thinks their idea was to form a stockpile prior to nationalisation.

The small girl taken to her first church service was fascinated by the priest who addressed her in resounding tones, waved his arms about and moved from side to side of the pulpit. Finally the child turned and clutched her father's arm. "What do we do if he gets out?" she asked worriedly.

Myrtle's grandfather says a wedding ring is like a tourniquet. It stops your circulation.

Perhaps unfortunately, my explanation of Einstein's new theory is held over owing to curvature of space.

Flaming something or other. "Children," said the teacher, "I want you to write an essay about King Alfred. But don't waste time writing about the burning of the cakes."

One essay read: "King Alfred went and knocked on the door of a lonely cottage in a forest, and was admitted by the farmer's wife. What happened after that I'm not allowed to say."

Communism, says a writer, is essentially sound. And, of course, furry.

"Into Samson and Delilah," Cecil B. DeMille has put all the knowledge and showmanship he's acquired in 38 years of picture making. It's a knockout. The Bible story, you know."

Yes, dear. "The upward trend of prices is a matter of some gravity. Only difference is that gravity does have a downward pull."

"Hurry and tell the foreman this trench must be shored—it's dangerous." "He knows. We're just digging him out."

territories which she had been forced at one time to cede to Yugoslavia.

Hungary was bound by a pact of friendship to Yugoslavia signed only in December, 1940. But open opposition to the German demands could only lead to the German occupation of Hungary in the course of the imminent military operations. There was also the temptation to re-occupy the territories on her South-east frontiers which Hungary had lost to Yugoslavia by the Treaty of Trianon.

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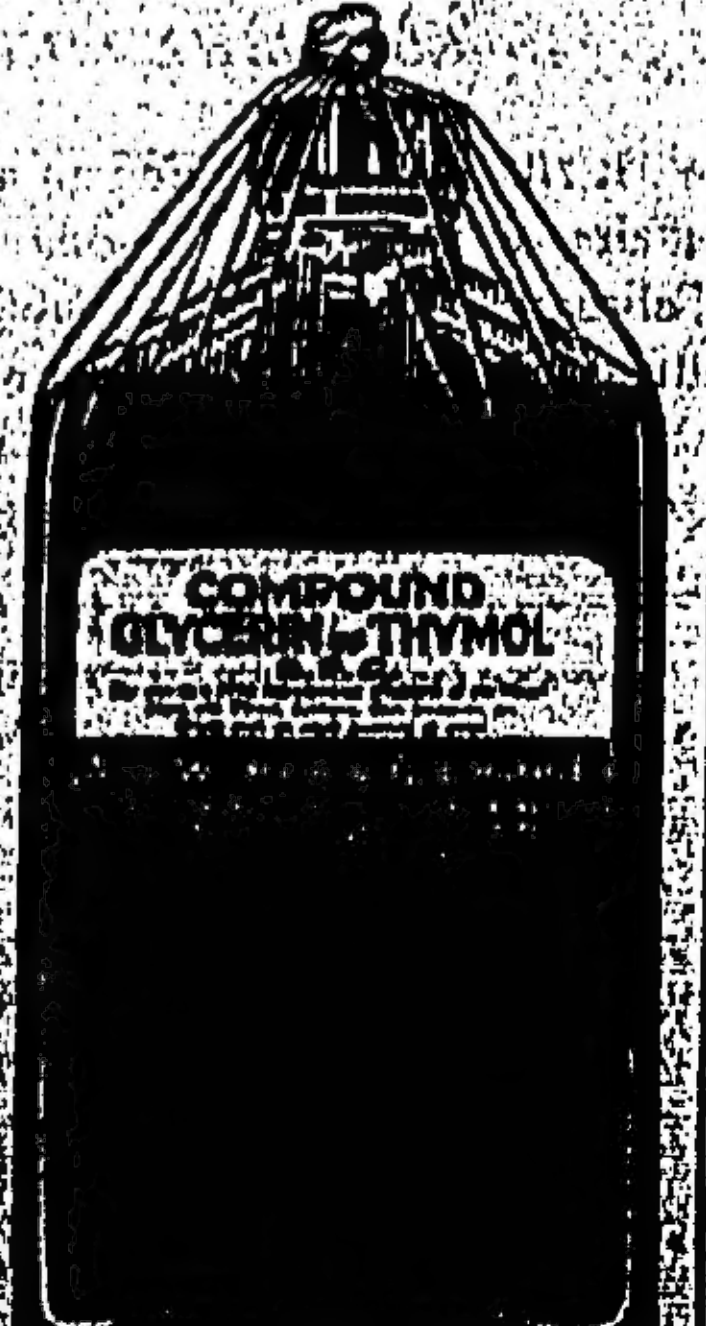
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### BRITAIN'S EXPORTS

Economic problems have lately been overshadowed by the British General Election and the stalemate that followed. But they remain in the forefront of all national problems. Britain's exports for the month of January (26 working days) was £176 millions, a figure which outstrips any other recorded. It represented a big improvement on the monthly average for the year 1949, which worked out at £149 million.

One conclusion drawn from these figures by the economic expert Mr. John Kingsley is that since devaluation in September, United Kingdom exporters have continued to make rapid and sustained headway in most foreign markets. Another conclusion is that Britain is now shipping abroad, in terms of value, at least as large an amount of goods as it is buying overseas. Imports for January were valued at a little over £201 millions, against exports and re-exports totalling some £182 millions. But as imports are quoted at the landed cost, which includes freight and insurance for the journey to Britain, one can deduct a sum equal to about 12½ per cent of the total value, to make them more comparable with exports. It is this done, the import figure becomes £176 millions, and the export surplus for the month £6 millions.

At the beginning of 1950 British exporters had achieved another significant goal. It is provisionally estimated that the volume of exports for January was one-sixth above the monthly average volume for 1949. As the volume for 1949 worked out at about 50 per cent above the level of exports in the pre-war year of 1938, this means that the volume of exports in January was about 75 per cent above the level of the last pre-war year.

When the Anglo-American Loan Agreement was signed at the end of 1945, an increase in the volume of exports of 50 per cent above pre-war level was considered the amount necessary to enable the country to afford imports at pre-war level. In January, with exports three-quarters above the pre-war level, imports were still running probably some 10 per cent in volume below the level of 1938; over the whole year of 1949 they were running at 13 per cent below the volume of pre-war. One reason for this is that world prices of goods have become less favourable for Britain than in 1938.

It is true that without devaluation there is no certainty that in January Britain would have been able to send overseas three-quarters more goods than in 1938. But it is also certain that but for devaluation imports would have cost less. The average price for imports fell by 7 per cent between January and September, 1949, and meanwhile the average price of exports was steady, so that the terms of trade were moving in favour of Britain. However, between September and the end of the year the import price average rose by 12 per cent and the terms of trade moved unfavourably.

This development means that in order to sustain the 1949 rate of imports, and perhaps improve on it, as was done in January, it is necessary for British manufacturers and exporters to redouble

My colleagues, who were toughened by the many risks we had run successfully, had independently reached the same conclusion. Mr. Menzies, on whom a special burden rested, was full of courage. There was a strong glow for action. The Cabinet was short; the decision final.

Prime Minister to Mr. Eden, Cairo.

7 March, 41. Cabinet this morning, considered project in light of your telegram from Athens and Cairo, and my telegram, Chiefs of Staff advised that, in view of steadily expressed opinion of Commanders-in-Chief on the spot, of the Chief of the Imperial General Staff, and commanders of the forces to be employed, it would be right to go on. Cabinet decided to authorise you to proceed with the operation, and by so doing Cabinet accepted for itself the fullest responsibility. We will communicate with Australian and New Zealand Governments accordingly.

The signing of the fateful Soviet-German pact seemed to deliver the Balkans at a stroke. In June, 1940, deprived the Southern Slavs of their traditional friend and protector. The Russians revealed their intentions about Rumania and occupied Besarabia and Bukovina. At Vienna in August 1940, Transylvania was awarded to Hungary by Germany and Italy. The net around Yugoslavia was closing. In November, 1940, Markovic, the Yugoslav Foreign Minister, first tried in secrecy the road to Belgrade. He escaped without formally committing his country to the Axis side, but on December 12 a pact of amity was signed with the minor Axis partner, Hungary.

### Neutral policy

In this atmosphere Prince Paul (the senior Regent of Yugoslavia) carried the policy of neutrality to its limits. He feared particularly that any move by Yugoslavia or her neighbours might provoke the Germans into a Southward advance into the Balkans.

Prime Minister to Foreign Secretary, 14 January 41. The Cabinet today should consider these telegrams from Belgrade about Prince Paul's views. They leave me unchanged. It is for the Greeks to say whether they want Wavell to visit Athens or not. It is the Greeks who must be the judges of the German reactions.

Secondly, if the Germans are coming South they will not require pretexts. They are, it would seem, already acting in pursuance of a carefully thought out plan which one can hardly assume will be hindered or delayed in consequence of any minor movements of ours. The evidence in our possession of the German movements seems overwhelming. In the face of it Prince Paul's attitude looks like that of an untrained man in the cage with a tiger.

their efforts. The spirit of the industrial centres indicates that they are ready to do so. There is no defeatism among the Yorkshire men, the iron founders of Teeside, the shipbuilders on the Tyne, and the engineers of the Midlands. Industrialists in all these and other areas which Kingaley visited told him of plans to expand still further their foreign trade. With a special eye on the dollar markets, this determination applies not only to the large firms with established contacts, but also to the innumerable small manufacturers all over the country who are helping to restore Britain's role as the world's workshop.

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## Hunt for master-mind spy

London, March 4.

The weekly "News of the World" reported today that British Intelligence agents are on the trail of the Russian "master-mind" who supervised Dr. Klaus Fuchs' treachery.

Informers say the agent organised Russia's entire atomic spy ring in Britain and found another atomic expert to replace Dr. Fuchs when he became unreliable.

The "Daily Mail" reported that the British Army Intelligence and the American FBI are on the trail of a second Dr. Fuchs—a scientist who is giving information to the Russians.

The "News of the World" said, "It is known that there was a master mind behind the diabolically clever plan which gave Russia atomic secrets over a vital history-making years."

"His identity has been established and his fleeing periodic visits to this country are being investigated in every detail."

Members of Parliament and millions of other Britons have not recovered their peace completely after the conviction of Fuchs.

Several London newspapers have declared that other spies are still at work undermining Western defences.

The uneasy state of mind has developed increasing demands that the British security services and especially the mysterious department known as MI-5 (Military Intelligence-five) once regarded infallible, be thoroughly overhauled.—United Press and Associated Press.

## POLLITT ON THE NEXT ELECTION

London, March 4.

The British Communists will fight in the next General Election with all their might in the conditions that prevail at the time, Mr. Harry Pollitt, General Secretary of the Party, said today.

He made the announcement in a report to the Executive of the Party which in the recent General Election contested 100 seats but failed to secure a single seat in the new House of Commons.

His report forecast, "Big business in Australia, Canada and especially the United States of America will use every form of pressure on the present reactionary Government to form a Coalition Government on the basis of a more reactionary policy which will mean, in fact, a complete and final betrayal of Socialism by the right wing Labour leaders."

The report, predicting that there will be an intensification of the class struggle, said that the great issues would be settled "not in the arena of this reactionary Parliament but by workers' mass struggles in the factories and streets."—Reuter.

## FAMINE THREAT IN CHINA

Seoul, March 4.

James D. Van Patten, head of the former U. S. Information Centre in Peking, said today that Chinese Communist papers estimated that famine had struck as many as 40,000,000 deaths this spring and summer.

Cities are doing well, he said, but the peasantry is already hungry and the next two months will be the worst.—Associated Press.

## Building of colossal fleet of aeroplanes ASIA MAIN OBJECTIVE

London, March 4.

Soviet Russia, in its plans for world conquest, is now building a huge air fleet, producing 3,000 to 3,500 planes a month or 36,000 to 42,000 a year.

The International Committee for the Study of European Questions' research group, supported by European Allied statesmen, reported that about 12,000 military aircraft appeared to have been produced last year.

They included 5,000 fighters, about 5,000 or 6,000 heavy and medium bombers and 2,000 other types.

Most of the fighters and a third, or perhaps half the bombers, were jets, according to the Committee's report.

Russia's present main objective is to absorb South Asia within the next two years, thus dominating nearly half the world population—a victory without precedent in history.

"The Soviet Union is preparing to follow it in Africa and in Europe, where Germany constitutes her first objective, because she knows that if Germany passes under Communist domination the rest of Europe would not be able to resist for long."

The report, dealing with Russia's Cominform activities, is widely distributed to subscribers in the United States and in Europe by the Committee which is backed by such persons as M. Paul Reynaud, former French Prime Minister, and Lord Vansittart, former diplomatic adviser to the British Foreign Office.

The Committee repeated that nearly 1,000 officials staffed the Russian Cominform headquarters at Bucharest, running a series of departments designed to spread the Communist philosophy throughout the world by religion, education, infiltration or any other means.

**Asian strategy**

Methods of financing local parties included exporting goods at a loss to certain countries so that funds could be accumulated there.

According to recent information, the report stated, "the Czechoslovakian industry recently sold motor cars at half the cost price in the Orient and some European countries to obtain foreign currency."

**Soviet strategy in Southern Asia**

And, the report predicted, included the creation of "armies of liberation" and reinforcements from Communist China for guerrilla armies in countries with common frontiers—India, China, Siam and Burma.

"If Indo-China was overrun by Communist attack from outside or inside, the strategic rampart of Southern Asia would collapse and it seems almost certain that the neighbouring countries would rapidly pass under Communist domination."

"If the Communists won control of Burma and Siam, Indo-China's whole defence could be taken from behind with the defending forces split between two frontiers, the report commented.

**Burma and Siam**

"According to the most recent information that is exactly the plan which Moscow and the Chinese Communists have now decided to follow."

"It can, therefore, be expected that in the near future the main and most powerful Communist effort will be set against Burma and Siam."

"It appears very doubtful that in the present state of affairs the Governments of Burma and Siam would be capable of resisting strong Communist action."

"India herself—whatever may be said—is more and more menaced by Communist activity."

"The peril will be even greater in a few months from now when Communist China, which is preparing to invade Tibet, will then have a common frontier with India."

### United action needed

"Under these conditions the plan recently drawn up by the nations of the Commonwealth at the Colombo Conference will be of no avail because it comes too late," the report commented.

"It will take years to improve the economic and social conditions and the Communist effort to conquer these countries will develop in the immediate future."

"Only a complete unity of action of the democratic Powers, consisting in wide military support given without delay to the non-Communist forces in these countries—particularly to the French Army of Indo-China—can save the situation by urgently establishing a barrage under the protection of which the economic position may be improved."—Reuter.

### Live artery

The Committee said the Russian air fleet will act as a "live artery" of the Communist empire extending from the River Oder in Germany to the Japan Sea.

The aerial fleet is a civil network which extends from West to East; from Albania and Sweden in Europe to Kamchatka and the Bering Straits in Siberia, to Mukden and Shanghai. In the South its planes land at Tehran, across the Caspian Sea; land at Kabul, Afghanistan; Sinkiang province, where the Russians have built three aerodromes, Mongolia and Korea.

This network of more than 80,000 kilometres includes 98 airfields or landing grounds with others in construction, the report said.

The various types of planes include troop carriers, cargo planes, artillery workshop planes and even oil tanker planes.

Pilots are being recruited from Soviet satellite countries including Hungary, Bulgaria and even Germany.

"The air fleet is equally important from the political, commercial and military viewpoints," the report said. From the political viewpoint it assures liaison between all Communist countries, and it carries thousands of political agents who are transported for propaganda work in the Middle East, Pakistan or Burma. It also flies civilian technicians in industry and aeronomics who are flown across Siberia all over the Far East. From the commercial viewpoint it assures transport of gold and funds as well as various kinds of machinery.

From the military viewpoint the air fleet is highly important, the report said. The Soviet forces that in wartime Russian armies in Europe and Asia will have to act independently, each depending on different types of economy to support it. The air fleet will assure them of being well supplied.—Reuter and United Press.

## HK PLANE DECISION PROTEST

London, March 4.

Sir Oliver Franks, British Ambassador in Washington, may be asked to make clear to the American Government Britain's attitude that she cannot interfere with a Hong Kong court decision to transfer 71 aircraft to the Chinese Communist People's Government.

A Foreign Office spokesman disclosed in London today that Britain had received a strong American note of protest against the decision. This was in addition to the protest made locally by the American Consul-General.

The British view is that the Government can in no way interfere for political reasons with the decision of the Hong Kong court which was taken on purely legal grounds.

The planes, formerly the property of the Chinese Nationalists, have been grounded in Hong Kong since their crews went over to the Communists last November.

The American Government has protested to Britain against releasing the planes to the Communists, claiming that they were bought by Major-General Claire Chennault, former Commander of the American "Flying Tigers" volunteer air squadron in China, two months before Britain recognised the Peking Government.—Reuter.

## CNAC LOSE CASE

San Francisco, March 4.

Superior Judge Preston Devine today granted a \$113,777 default judgment against the China National Aviation Corporation on behalf of the Glen V. Pierce Company at San Carlos, California.

The judgment was for merchandise and parts sold and delivered to the Chinese airline prior to the Communist victory in China. Judge Devine ordered an attachment to be levied on the local bank account of the Chinese firm whose headquarters is in Hong Kong.—United Press.

## Attack on Vietnam attack on France

New Delhi, March 4.

M. L. Pignon, French High Commissioner in Indo-China, said here today that if there is a regular Chinese Communist invasion of Indo-China, it will be a case bell for an international war.

An attack against Vietnam would be considered by the French as an attack on France itself, he said.

M. Pignon was addressing a Press conference here on his way back to Indo-China after a visit to Paris, and was replying to correspondents' questions.

Asked whether the new set-up in Indo-China will be able successfully to resist Communism in Indo-China, M. Pignon said: "Yes, the three states of Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia have more moral and material power than they had before" and added, "This material power is increasing daily."—Reuter.

## Communal rioting flares up again

Calcutta, March 4.

New outbreaks of Hindu-Moslem fighting in India's West Bengal have resulted in 18 killed, at least 10 wounded and 95 arrests, the Government said tonight.

Sixteen were killed on Friday night in riots between Moslems and Hindus at Telinpara, near Chandernagore, North of Calcutta. Jute mill workers firing on one another were dispersed by the police who used their guns. A curfew was imposed.

The battle was set off when a Hindu was attacked in Chandernagore, French settlement which voted to accede to India last summer.

In North East Calcutta, a firecracker exploded in a house where explosives were being manufactured. In the mistaken impression that a Moslem had thrown the explosive, an angry crowd began looting and burning. The police shot and killed a Moslem who was in the act of stabbing a Hindu. Ten persons were injured and 70 arrested.

In another area, the police fired four rounds and dispersed a mob of Hindu and Moslems. One Hindu was killed and 25 persons arrested.

Nearly 2,000 Hindus, trying to leave the Pakistan State of East Bengal, were reported here today to have been prevented from leaving because they could not show certificates that they had paid income taxes. Official confirmation was lacking.

Nearly 2,000,000 of the province's 14,000,000 Hindus have fled since the partition of India.

A new exodus of Hindus from East Bengal has started since a recent upsurge of Hindu-Moslem violence in which hundreds have been killed. India's Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, is coming to West Bengal on Monday for an inspection of troubled areas. The Pakistan Governor-General, Khwaja Nazimuddin, is to make a tour of East Bengal at the same time.—Associated Press.

## EARTH HAS A "TAIL"

London, March 4.

The earth has a gaseous "tail" of at least 60,015,000 feet stretching out into space, Soviet scientists have discovered, according to a Tass message received in London.

The scientific academician, Vasil Fessenkov, claimed to have measured this "tail" which is always pointed in a direction away from the sun, he said, in a lecture to the Soviet Academy of Sciences. He refuted the theory of "four geologists and Swedish", that the "tail" was caused by a conglomeration of meteorite particles. It was caused, he said, by gases escaping from the upper layers of the earth's atmosphere.

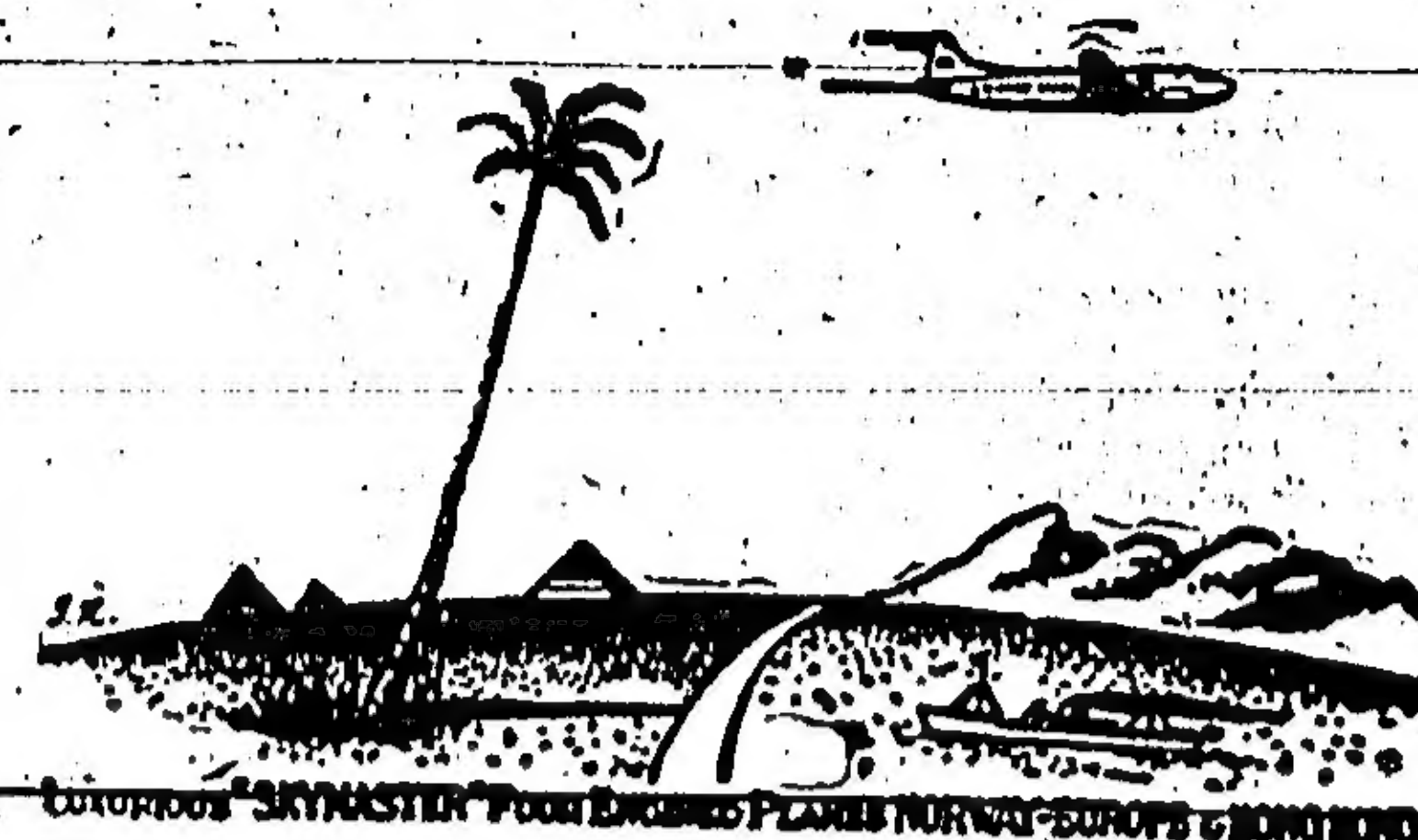
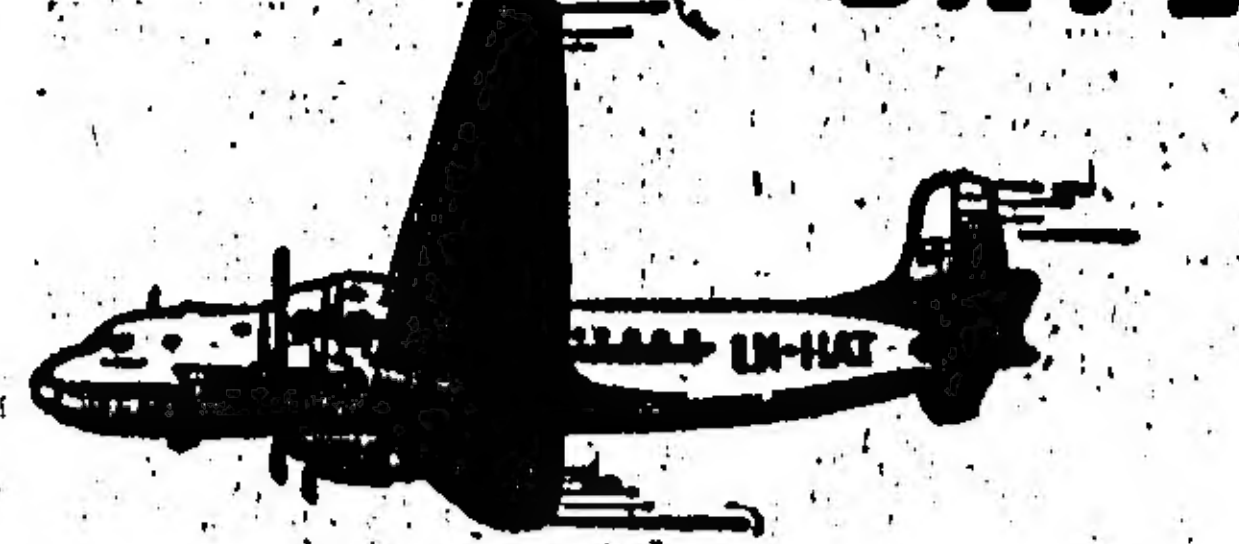
Another Soviet astronomer academician, Grigori Shain, claimed that he and his assistants had photographed for the first time the central nucleus of the gigantic galactic constellation—the "Milky Way"—about which only indirect data was hitherto available. This had revealed its characteristics and disclosed its influences on the solar system, he said.—Reuter.

## MESONS PRODUCED

Champaign, Illinois, March 4.

The University of Illinois announced today that its new 300,000-volt betatron has produced mesons—mysterious "glue" that holds atoms together. The machine fired X-rays into a stick of carbon and a considerable abundance of mesons showed up on a special photographic plate.—United Press.

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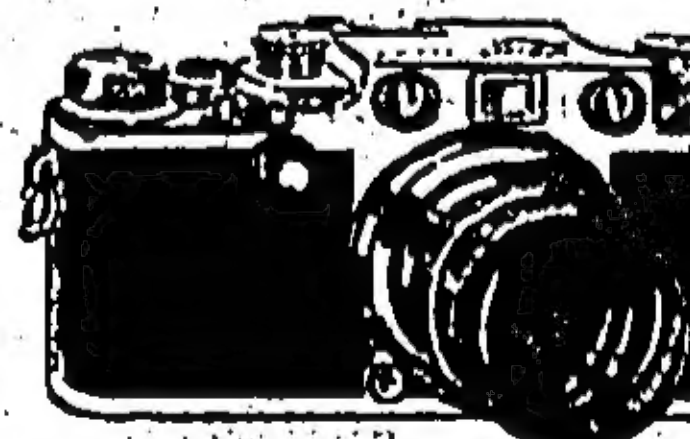
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## Refugee jumps to death from plane

Zurich, March 4.—A Yugoslav refugee, who had been refused entry into England at Northolt Airport, today threw himself out of the Swiss aeroplane which was taking him back to Zurich.

The man, whose name was Markovic, had stated at Northolt that he would commit suicide if he was refused permission to remain in Britain.

On the way back to Zurich, the man suddenly got up just as lunch was being served on the plane. He handed his tray of food to the stewardess, opened the plane's door and jumped out.

The incident occurred North East of St. Quentin, according to the Swiss air authorities.

Officials at Northolt Airport, London, declined to say why the man had been refused permission to remain in Britain.—Reuter.

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1.00—Vocal.  
1.15—News.  
1.30—Orchestral Concert.  
2.00—Afternoon Musicals.  
4.00—Blin Bryant and His Wildcats.  
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5.15—Children's Corner.  
5.30—Harmonia Hall.  
5.45—Radio Headlines.  
6.00—Rediffusion Request Show.  
6.30—"The Jumpin' Jacks".  
6.45—Do You Remember?  
7.00—B.B.C. News.  
7.10—Local News.  
7.15—Candlelight and Silver.  
8.00—"Romantic Cycles".  
8.15—Sammy Kaye's Orchestra.  
8.30—Allen Roth's Symphony of Melody.  
9.00—B.B.C. News.  
9.10—Local News.  
9.15—Bing Sing.  
9.30—"The King's Theatre. Quiz Pro-  
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10.00—Music and Moonlight.  
10.15—"Variety Bandbox".  
11.15—B.B.C. Midland Light Orchestra.  
11.45—Stardust.  
12.01—Close Down.

## ANGLO-FRENCH WAR GAMES

Paris, March 4.—The British and French fleets, key cogs in the North Atlantic defence machinery, go to sea next week to test their ability to mesh together.

Extensive manoeuvres have been plotted for squadrons of the two fleets in the Western Mediterranean.

The main objects, said a French authority, will be to practice co-operation between the ships of the two fleets and to perfect communications systems between the two navies.

Rear-Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten, former Viceroy of India and wartime Commander in South East Asia, will be in command of the British squadron.

Vice-Admiral Lambert, commanding the French fleet, will fly his flag in the aircraft carrier Arromanches. Other French units will include the cruiser Montcalm, a number of destroyers, submarines and frigates.—Associated Press.

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# ADENAUER GIVES WARNING ON THE SAAR AGREEMENTS

Bonn, March 4.

The West German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, today appealed to Britain and the United States for help in his campaign against France's agreements with the Saar, concluded yesterday.

He claimed that the agreement can be legal only if the British and American Governments approve them.

If the situation does not change, Germany's trust in the West will be severely shaken, he warned.

Dr. Adenauer told a Press conference here that the agreements under which France secured the right to exploit under lease the Saar mines for 50 years, were a mere hunger for gold, endangered the aims of the Marshall Plan and were decisions against Europe.

"If we can speak for Berlin and the Eastern zone then we are also entitled to speak for the Germans on the Saar," Dr. Adenauer declared.

He said that the West German Government was particularly affected by the agreements because the Western Powers had hitherto always maintained that the Bonn Government also represented those Germans who did not belong to the West German Republic.

"The Saar agreement is in contrast with the declarations made by the Governments of the United States, Britain and France," he claimed.

"These statements have explicitly emphasised that Germany's borders could only be changed by a peace treaty."

## Changed view

Previously, the Western Allies had maintained the view that any alteration in Germany's frontiers should follow from the peace treaty. They had said so in the Potsdam agreement and again last year when Germany was required to make frontier rectifications in the West.

The American Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, clearly informed him that France did not have a free hand in the Saar but that the matter was reserved for the peace treaty, Dr. Adenauer said.

In Paris last autumn, the Chancellor added, when France demanded that the Saar Government should enter the European Council, this was related by the American and British Governments on the

ground that the Saar was not an independent country.

In the discussions leading to the Petersberg agreement last November between the Western Powers and Western Germany, the three Allies repeated that the Saar question should be decided in the peace treaty.

## Need approval

Last autumn M. Schuman had said that France's interests in the Saar were only economic and that politically the Saar should return to Germany. He did not know why M. Schuman had abandoned the view which he had voluntarily given them.

The France-Saar conventions could only be legal if they received the approval of the other Allies.

"We appeal, therefore, to the British and to the American Governments as well as to France," he said.

He recalled that Mr. Acheson had informed him from Paris that the United States pledged itself to support French views in the Saar but would undertake no obligations until the peace treaty. Mr. Acheson emphasised that France should not have carte blanche, Dr. Adenauer said.

## French appeal

The French Deputy High Commissioner, M. Armand Berard, tonight appealed to the

German nation to consider the Saar agreements with cool heads.

Contrary to German ideas that the agreements represented a victory for French nationalism, they reflected moderate French opinion. Nor was it true that they anticipated the peace treaty, he said at a Press conference.

He urged the German Press to bear in mind that the Saar question was too grave and likely to have such serious repercussions on Franco-German relations that it should not be judged lightly, nor should the Germans allow themselves to be swayed by their passions.—Reuter.

## TAIPEH AS NW AIRLINES STOP?

St. Paul, March 4.—Northwest Airlines is considering a stop at Taipei, on its Tokyo-Manila route, President Croll Hunter said today.

"The operation has not been set up," Mr. Hunter said, "but it might be advantageous to make a stop at Taipei. If the airline decides to carry out the plan, service will start in the near future, Mr. Hunter added.

A survey flight will be made sometime next week. Northwest Airlines made stops at Shanghai before the Chinese Communists gained control.—Associated Press.

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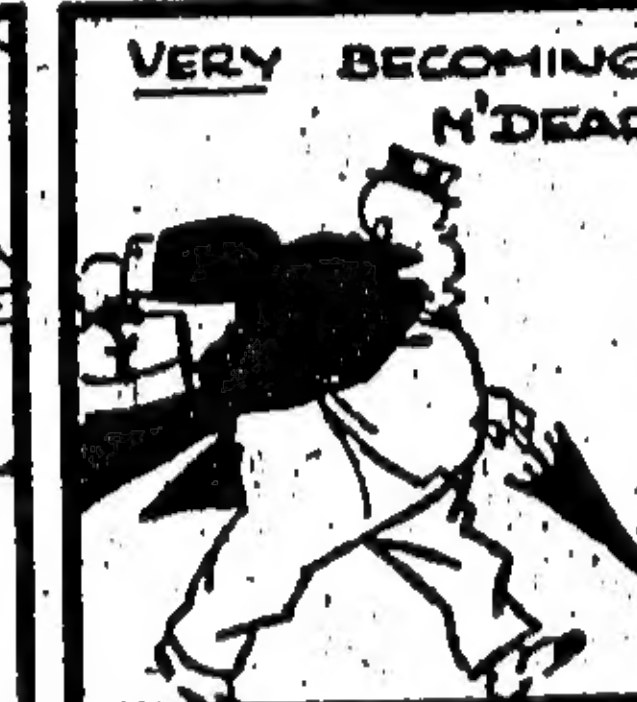
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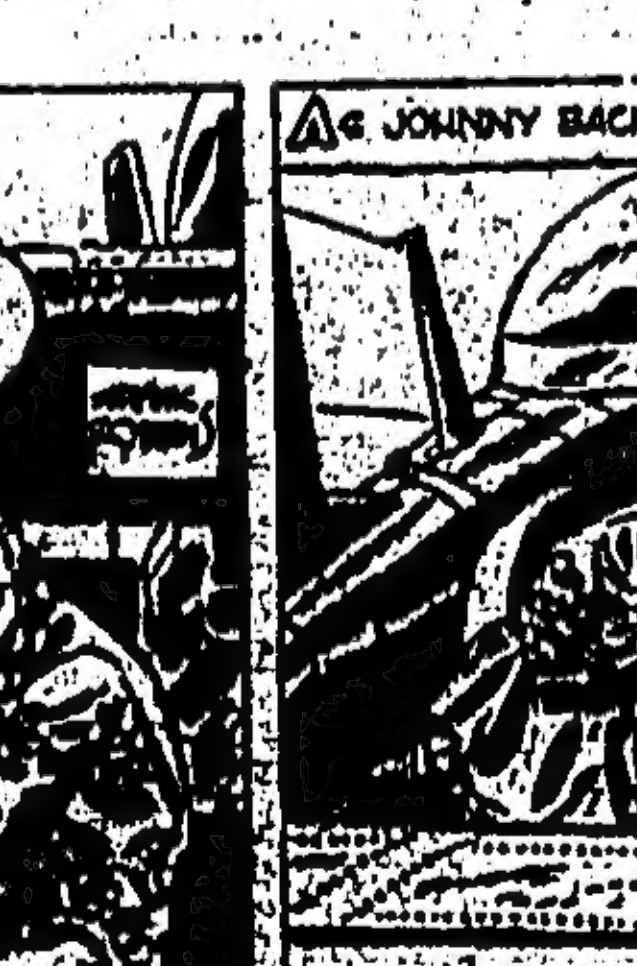
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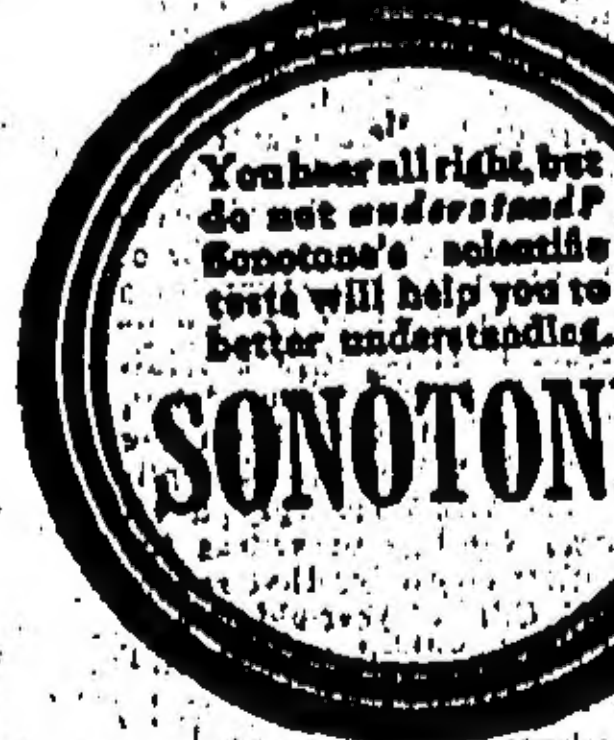
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## PAKISTAN TRADE WITH GERMANY

Frankfurt, March 4. The German-Pakistan trade agreement, providing for a trade of about 42,000,000 marks each way, was signed here today by Mr. Hansie Haswic, Under-Secretary of State in the Ministry for Economics in Karachi, and Dr. Hilger Non Scherpenberg, head of the West German Economic Ministry's trade department for the Sterling Area.

The Pakistan High Commissioner in Berlin, Mr. H. Rahimtoola, was present.

Under the new agreement, which a German spokesman said is only a frame for liberal trade between the two countries, Pakistan will export primarily jute, cotton, wheat, hides and skins.

Western Germany will supply capital goods, machinery, tools, chemicals and pharmaceuticals.

Today's negotiations failed to decide on prices and delivery terms of Pakistan wheat to Western Germany, the spokesman said.

This was because Western Germany's present wheat needs do not justify importing as much as Pakistan expects to sell, he added.

"We made good progress in our talks and hope to agree on the wheat question in about a week," he said.—Reuter.

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## N.Y. Stock Exchange

New York, March 4.

A surge of buying today was the first response to overnight news of the coal strike settlement. In the face of heavy profit-taking sales, which developed almost immediately, a little progress was made. More than 50 issues held at their highest prices for 1949 to 50. Steels, rails and motors were bought and sold heavily. Transfers were 940,000. Among gainers were Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal, Chrysler, U.S. Steel, Goodrich, Anaconda Copper, Dow Chemical, Allied Chemical, Barnard Oil.

Dow Jones averages: Stocks 74.40; 20 Industrials 204.71; 15 Rails 66.00; Utilities 43.01.

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Some railway issues attracted support in the bond market.

Higher in the curb were Continental Foundry, Sterling Incorporated, U.S. Radiator, Associated Press.

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## SOLUTION TO WHEAT DISPUTE

Ottawa, March 4. Canada and the United States have found a solution to a three-month controversy over wheat.

The United States Agricultural Secretary, Mr. Charles Brannan, and the Canadian Trade Minister, Mr. C. D. Howe, agreed yesterday to present a joint statement to the International Wheat Council to a meeting in London on March 15.

The terms of the agreement were not disclosed, but it is understood that Canada and the United States will present a joint front at the Council meeting to get Japan and Germany voted into the wheat pact.

This will mean an additional market under the pact of 100,000,000 bushels of wheat a year.—Reuter.

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The deadlock in the month-old dispute collapsed suddenly last night with a striking victory for the Union leader, Mr. John L. Lewis, and his United Miners' Union who got a 70 cents a day wage increase for their men.

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# HONG KONG WATERFRONT

## BY OUR HARBOUR REPORTER

### In my log

#### A SUCCESSFUL YEAR ENDS

With this 51st issue we begin our second year. It was on March 7, 1949, that we made our debut in this page, bent on ferreting out the numerous Waterfront "mysteries" and enlightening the curious when ever possible.

There have been the usual ups and downs in our varied quest—now and then compelled to take that proverbial pinch of salt but more often than not to come out triumphant.

It is with personal gratification that we know that there are more people who are now better acquainted with our Waterfront and its "features".

We are indebted to our "contacts" who have been most helpful.

Altogether, it has been a pleasant and interesting year.

In retrospect... Looking back through the weeks of the year, we couldn't help recalling with quills certain episodes which provided the lighter side of our more serious pursuits.

One which never fails to send a chilly shiver up the spinal system on recollection was the two-minute ordeal when we dangled some 20 feet above the sea—one hand gripping for dear life the deck rail of the LST North Star, the other holding a camera.

Below—the cause of it all, our water taxi—chugged on unconcerned as the manoeuvred to clear away after lugging the narrow steel companionway ladder out of position.

That first minute was nerve-racking in that the foot-wide ladder, hanging perpendicularly, swayed perilously with only one foot in position. We had one foot on a rung with the other in mid-air.

We were hauled up by a grinning seaman—none the worse but a little shaken.

As it soon developed, that was only the beginning. Locked inside a cabin with four dissident persons we had a clandestine one-hour interview which created a furore after we "broke" the story.

A "frightening" moment. A brief but very frightening moment was when we suddenly looked out through a porthole aboard the steamer and saw ourselves sailing out to sea.

"Slowaway"—"shanghain"—such thoughts increased our confusion.

Only an hour before when we embarked she was alongside Custodian Wharf. Absorbed in soliciting material from personnel in their quarters we did not notice that the steamer was under way.

Our grief was momentary—the Hunan was only steaming to her buoy mid-stream.

But we had had a shock.

The juggling "26s." Our dreaded moment—leaving the page early on Monday morning and see that the "26s" had behaved themselves overnight.

One never knows what they will do—break the queue; join the wrong crowd or bring in an unwelcome guest.

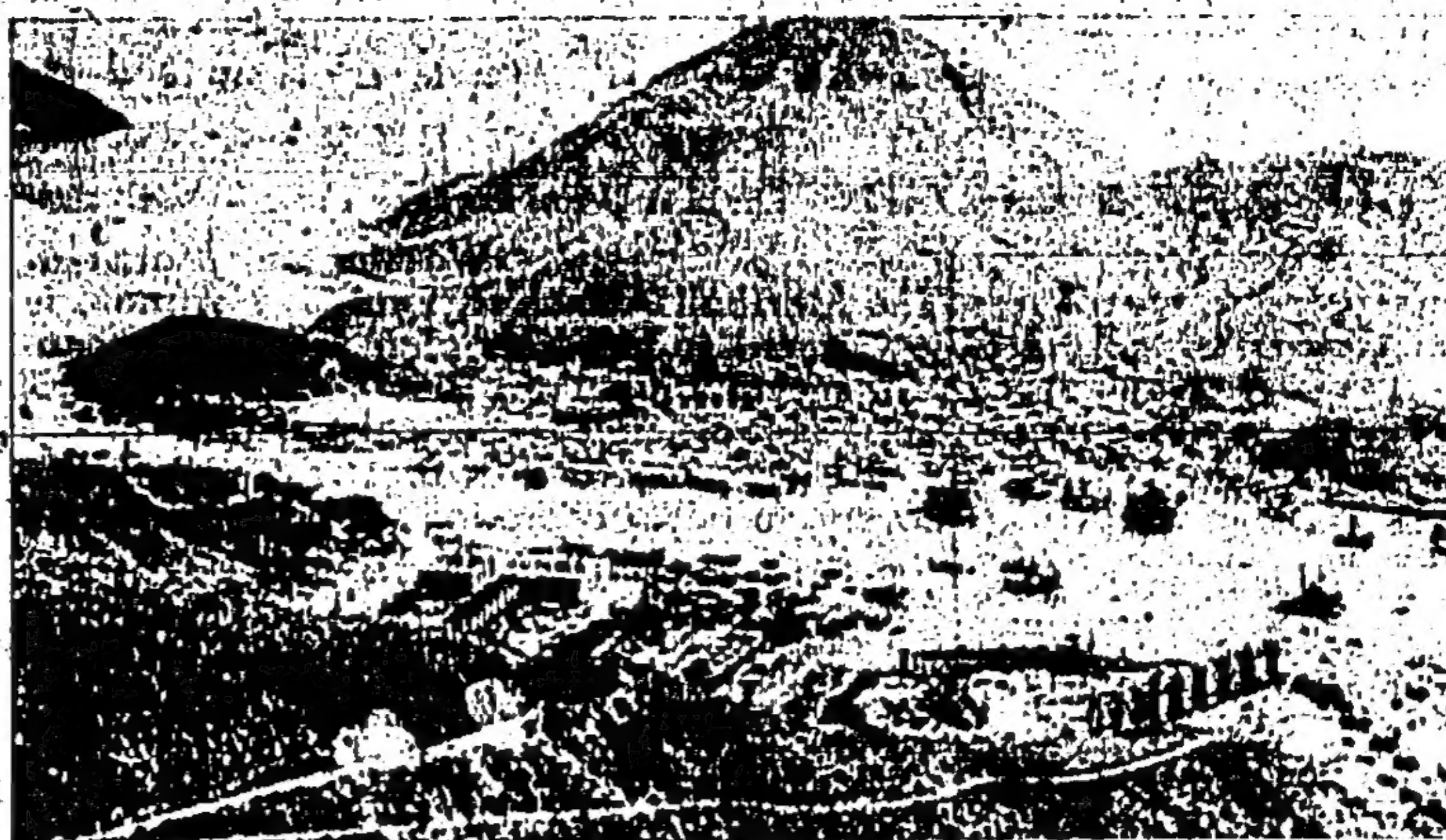
When used well, they bring glowing praise, but they betray as readily; these many find to their cost.

Our apprehension has been justified on and off. Why, only recently the eccentric "26s"—some know them as the Alphabet—made a poor show of themselves. "T" and that their pranks are just a neglected bad habit.

Business of the week. Coming to the Log of the first week of our second year... we have "bad" news for those who frequent the Aberdeen Marine Restaurant.

It is understood that these floating eating establishments, permanently anchored in Aberdeen Harbour, have suspended business as from the beginning of this month.

Licence has been cancelled because of fire hazards. Harbour owes its present popularity as a suburban resort to these Marine Restaurants, which have attracted thousands of tourists and residents since they made their debut more than a year ago, after obtaining approval from the Urban Council.



As she looks from the air today, Aberdeen Harbour is reminiscent of the pioneering days when myriads of native craft cluttered the placid precincts, to trade with the foreigners. In the foreground can be seen the picturesque Chinese hill-cemetery (right); the naval dockyard (below); the Marine Restaurants in the middle anchored in a line; and Ap Li Chau (Duck's Tongue Island) which forms the bulwark against typhoons. (China Mail Photo).

## Aberdeen harbour—where history was made

Often unsung is the sheltered narrow deep-water harbour of Aberdeen—"Little Hong Kong" (Heung Kong Chai)—where more than a century ago history was made which subsequently led to the hoisting of the Union Jack over the Island.

Today Aberdeen Harbour still plays a key role—it is the largest and most populated of the 13 fishing centres in British waters. Some 20,000 fishermen and their families, comprising two-fifths of the total floating population in Hong Kong, eke out a unique existence there.

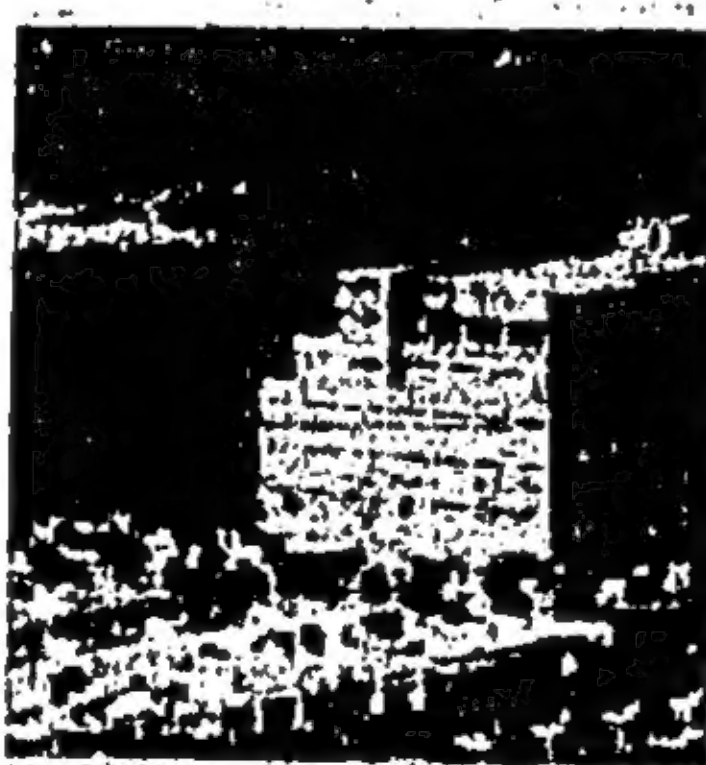
To a resident—a well-informed one—Aberdeen conjures up such exciting thoughts as having a novel dinner aboard a marine restaurant; the breath-taking sight of myriads of native craft of varied types cluttering in a maze; the terrace Chinese hill-cemetery reminiscent of pre-Maya grandeur; and a refreshing evening drive to one of the Colony's suburban resorts.

To a tourist having his first glimpse of "the mystical Orient" the natural harbour provides a spectacular sight—something which will be a memorable one, savouring of "something Chinese."

Aberdeen Harbour—the first site of the Colony—was the haunt of throat-slicing pirates; wily smugglers; docile farmers and stone-cutters and a number of itinerant fishermen during the pre-Hong Kong days.

Swashbuckling and swartly sailors of the buccaneer element mixed with the villagers of Aberdeen "terrorising" the village with their "orgies" and drunken brawls.

History was made in 1830 when Captain Charles Elliot (RN),



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His Majesty's Chief Superintendent of Trade, mustered all available shipping and personnel in Aberdeen—then a refuge to British traders driven there by the hostile Chinese attitude towards foreigners—and launched his gallant "armada" to touch off the prelude to the Opium War which subsequently—two years later—led to the cession of the Island to Britain in 1841.

**Origin of name**

Explanations as to the origin of the name Hong Kong vary. One which seems plausible is that the first colonisers were attracted by the magnificent sight presented by the numerous cascades of silvery hill water decorating the range facing the sea.

The bay was aptly called Waterfall Bay. The words "heung" (fragrant) and "kong" (streams or harbour) were chosen by the early arrivals to dub the island Heung Kong, which—through the passage of time became Hong Kong.

Whether the choice of the word "heung" was provoked by the characteristic "fish" odour permeating the environs or whether it was a natural impulse, at the sight of the beautiful green foliage serving as background to the waterfalls—has been a matter of conjecture through the decades.

However the reasons why the Aberdeen Harbour was chosen as a sanctuary by the British pioneers are obvious—it is nearer to the open sea and further from the mainland where hostile eyes then glared at foreign craft. Moreover, the temperature is normally lowered by cool South Westerlies in summer.

Aberdeen today is still reminiscent of the days of yore. The first naval dockyard is operating as usual but on a more modern scale. Hope Dock and Lamont Dock—which originally served Captain Elliot's fleet in the late first half (1839-43) of the 19th century—are still as busy.

The fishing village at the edge of Ap Li Chau Island—the harbour's natural bulwark against strong winds—carries on its traditional livelihood but on a more subdued note than their buccaneer predecessors.

The harbour is still as deep with the top-level mark at 48 feet mid-stream. Some time ago

### First come, first served

That is the basis for the berthing of vessels calling at Manila.

Shipping companies have been asked to submit advance particulars covering cargo tonnage and other pertinent data so that docking recommendations can be made to ensure efficient discharge on available piers.

This decision was recently agreed upon by Manila port authorities and representatives of foreign shipping organisations. The conference was called following reports that certain shipping lines had applied for exclusive berthing privileges.

Two large ocean-going "jald-up" steamers were towed into the harbour to be scraped. Surrounded by small native craft as they lie alongside one side of the harbour, they are being slowly denuded.

**War target**

During the war, Aberdeen Harbour was a target of enemy bombers, which caused heavy damage.

Shortly after the Liberation, a harbour innovation made its debut in Aberdeen—the floating restaurants catering to city folks and tourists. Reconvered barges and touched up into a lush setting, these marine restaurants have been the main attraction of the harbour. There are four elaborately-decorated establishments anchored permanently in mid-stream.

Besides being the hub of the Colony's fishing industry, Aberdeen is gradually becoming the cultural centre of the floating community. There are educational establishments both for shore and floating students—the curricula include meteorology, fisheries, navigation, net-making and kindred subjects.

The Aberdeen Industrial School—run by missionaries—is typical of this 20th century movement towards enlightening the Aberdeen residents.

Aberdeen is accessible by bus, taxi, launch and ferry.

## Shipping activity

Marked decline in certain aspects of the Colony's shipping activity in February was shown by statistics issued by the Marine Department over the week-end.

Compared with January figures, there were less arrivals; 13,000 passengers disembarked; 155,540 tons of cargo were discharged; 65 departures; 5,820 persons left port and 28,228 tons of cargo were loaded.

Last month's statistics reported 547 (913,257 N.R. tons) ships arrived with 44,981 passengers and 288,913 tons of cargo while 582 ships cleared port with 54,511 people and 135,287 tons of cargo.

Even "ice" breakers were called during February—the figures compared show 6,110 tons coal (9,088 in January) and 18,040 drums oil (18,741).

British shipping last month had 240 (353,408 N.R. tons) ships calling here with 23,537 passengers and 1,09,917 tons of cargo.

Those that cleared port under the Red Ensign totalled 240 (350,587 N.R. tons) carrying 24,404 people and 61,502 tons of cargo.

River vessels of British registry did more business in farce compared with their ocean-going counterparts—132 river vessels arrived with 19,011 persons. The 153 departures took away 27,228 passengers.

Sixteen ships entered port in ballast, while 15 left empty. There were 1,087 local employees. There were altogether 16 nationalities represented by the ships in port during the month.

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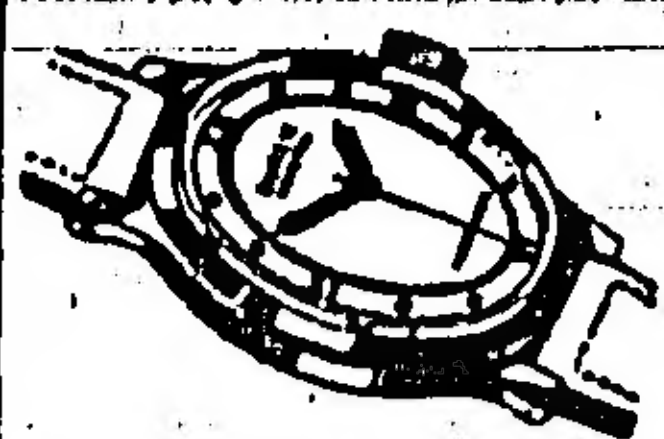
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## Softball:

## WAHOOS WIN LADIES SENIOR LEAGUE PENNANT

(By "GRANDSTAND")

Jaguars nosed out Americans 5-4 in an eight-inning fracas that had a sensational finish, as American hurler Schulte balked after Pedruco had stolen third, to allow the winning run to cross the plate for the Jags to qualify for the play-off.

Wahoos clinched the Ladies Senior League pennant as they downed the Wildcats 7-1 in a fast-moving game highlighted by Patsy Ribeiro's homer.

Clovers provided the upset of the week when they shaded a strong Squaw outfit.

Behind Tania Tennison's brilliant mound work in which she fanned eight, Braves were again at the wrong end of a lop-sided score as they went down to the Blackhaws 14-1, while Overseas whitewashed Griffins 14-nil.

The USS Bass split two games against junior outfits, when they succumbed to the Jaguar Cubs but triumphed over Overseas.

**Jaguars 5—Americans 4**  
Jaguars threw away several scoring chances through recklessness on the base-paths, while two misfires in the outfield almost cost them the game.

Both hurlers Vic Pedruco and Schulte yielded seven blows apiece, but the former whiffed five while Schulte only accounted for one via the strike-out route.

Three bunched up, his spear-headed by Eric Guest's round-tripper in the first frame notched the Jags a three-run lead, which the Americans whittled down gradually until the sixth, when George Gallon poked out a four-bagger hit along the foul-lines for the equaliser.

In the seventh, the Jaguars had a runner on first base, but failed to score as Mose grounded out.

The Americans staged a rally when lead-off Harry Ayres singled, but was tagged out at second when he tried to stretch the single.

Bob McGowan popped out but Cliff Flook drew a walk, while Brown's towering fly which was muffed, placed ducks in the pond. Schulte lifted a fly, which was held and the uprising died out.

**A wicked double**  
In the top of the extra inning, both Eric Guest and Gerald Langenier grounded out, but Vic Pedruco slashed out a wicked double.

With two strikes on Barros at the plate, Pedruco was given the steal signal and pilfered the cushion safely.

A somewhat rattled Schulte on the slab made a motion to pitch but failed to deliver the ball as he turned around to talk to a team-mate and the plate umpire waved Pedruco home for the tie-breaker. Barros popped out.

With backs to the wall, the Americans tried to get back that run in their half of the eighth.

George Gallon and McLane both grounded out while Porter lifted a fly which Guest froze to end the game.

It was a heart-breaker for the Americans, who will now have to play the loser of the Braves—US Navy club for the fourth play-off berth.

Eric Guest was the only player to make more than one hit by beating out an infield hit in addition to his homer.

**Wahoos 7—Wildcats 1**  
The Wahoos—Wildcats, scuffle started off at a terrific pace as neither side could dent the plate in the first two frames.

In the third the Green Owls crossed the plate for the first run of the game as Teresa Campos singled, stole second and rode home on Patsy Ribeiro's fly to centre-field.

The Felines soon equalised in the top of the fourth when Nana Bulleth was given a fly on a wild heave aided by a timely single by Rosie Whelan.

In the following frames, the Wahoos added consistently to the score with two runs in each chapter, while the Cats were played to a standstill and failed to cross the plate again.

**Takes batting honours**  
Ineligible stick-wielder Patsy Ribeiro again came through with a round-tripper and a single to take batting honours.

Terry Noronha hurled a steady game as she pitched her Wahoos to their third consecutive championship.

She was aided to a considerable extent by a light folding side, particularly Irene Castilho at short-stop who froze a liner marked "base-hit," and Teresa Campos who romped the pasture with a drag-net that hauled in every catch over the infield.

**Clovers 11—Squaws 10**  
Eddie Marques' coaching had telling effect as the Clovers sprung the upset of the week-end by toppling a favoured Squaw outfit.

Although Tania Tennison yielded eight hits—four more than losing rhabster Virgie Gonsales—

### WEEK-END SCORES AT A GLANCE

MEN'S SENIOR LEAGUE

St. Joseph's	10	Overseas	3
Madeira	9	Cumbancheros	4
Jaguars	5	Americans	4

(8 Inning-game)

MEN'S JUNIOR LEAGUE

Overseas	14	Griffins	0
Blackhaws	14	Braves	1
Roxes	18	Pandus	9

LADIES SENIOR LEAGUE

Wahoos	7	Wildcats	1
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An improved fielding side helped her to victory.

The four-leaved outfit jumped into lead by notching up three runs to the Squaws' two, in the initial frame, and, though the Squaws equalised in the second the Clovers drew ahead again in the third with another run.

A nervous Clover side which nearly saw victory slip from their grasp in the fourth as Squaw staged a four run rally, fought back in the fifth with a 3-run spurge to lead 5-7.

**Ding-dong struggle**  
The ding-dong struggle went the other way after the Squaws had their batting flicks when they notched two runs.

Two walks and two passed balls in the seventh, when Squaw Virgie Gonsales suffered a lapse, allowed three runs to cross the plate at this vital stage.

Coming into the bottom of the seventh, trailing behind by a single tally, Squaw Carmen Souza poked out her fourth hit of the day, stole second and reached third on a passed ball, but unfortunately Nana Carvalho and Joyce Guest bore down too hard and failed to come through with the all important safe hit. They popped out to catcher Thelma Coelho.

**Good saves**  
On the Police side, Soares in goal made several good saves, but should never have missed the ball before Fowler got his second goal.

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Shortly before the close, however, Bartlett scored the winning goal by netting the rebound when Soares saved from Fowler.

**KITC 3—YMCA 0**  
Kowloon Indian Tennis Club "won pulling up," as racegoers say, against YMCA and the game appeared to be played at half speed.

KITC were well worth their win and were not extended. A little more dash by the forwards would have doubled their score.

YMCA sadly missed several of their players, off through injury and other causes, and never looked like scoring apart from the occasional short corner. Caldwell tried hard enough, without any success.

**Real weakness**  
Both backs played very well, especially Bull, but the real weakness of the side was at half. The three YMCA halves never asserted themselves and seemed ineffectual in comparison with their opponents.

Guest and J. S. Dillon were able to deal comfortably with whatever came their way, and Hassan and Shagat Singh were great halves.

The forwards all looked capable, with Pinto and Mohinder Singh perhaps slightly the best of the line.

Goals were scored by Mohinder Singh and U.S. Dillon before half-time, to which one was added in the second half by J. B. Dillon.

**Results**  
The following are the results of yesterday's games in brief:

Club	4	Police	3
KITC	3	YMCA	0
Dutch HC.	2	Pats	2
Commandos	0	RAF	0
HKU	2	Chand Tara	1

**ENGLAND HELD TO GOALLESS DRAW**  
Hull, March 4.

England, who had beaten Wales and Ireland in previous Amateur international matches, this season were held to a goalless draw by Scotland here today.

A crowd of 80,000 watched the game, which was held at the Glasgow Celtic Ground.

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## Hockey:

## Police unlucky to lose to HK Hockey Club

Police may consider themselves unlucky that they did not at least share the points at King's Park yesterday when the Hong Kong Hockey Club beat them by four goals to three in a hockey fixture.

The game was characterised by hard hitting, much of it regrettably indiscriminate, with the result that few players enhanced their reputations.

The ground was bumpy and hard and ball control was consequently very difficult.

This circumstance, added to the inexperience of several of the players, made more conspicuous the absence of any real cohesive play.

Fowler, at centre-forward for the Club, stood out amongst his team mates and scored three of his side's goals. Whitley, too, was always working hard.

Fruer had a comparatively quiet morning at centre-half and seemed uncertain on the uneven surface, while Cannon and Boycott both got through a fair amount of work.

Ferrier stood up splendidly to one period of Police pressure and could do little about the shots that beat him.

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Kowloon Indian Tennis Club "won pulling up," as racegoers say, against YMCA and the game appeared to be played at half speed.

KITC were well worth their win and were not extended. A little more dash by the forwards would have doubled their score.

YMCA sadly missed several of their players, off through injury and other causes, and never looked like scoring apart from the occasional short corner. Caldwell tried hard enough, without any success.

Shortly before the close, however, Bartlett scored the winning goal by netting the rebound when Soares saved from Fowler.

**Real weakness**  
Both backs played very well, especially Bull, but the real weakness of the side was at half. The three YMCA halves never asserted themselves and seemed ineffectual in comparison with their opponents.

Guest and J. S. Dillon were able to deal comfortably with whatever came their way, and Hassan and Shagat Singh were great halves.

The forwards all looked capable, with Pinto and Mohinder Singh perhaps slightly the best of the line.

Goals were scored by Mohinder Singh and U.S. Dillon before half-time, to which one was added in the second half by J. B. Dillon.

**Results**  
The following are the results of yesterday's games in brief:

Club	4	Police	3
KITC	3	YMCA	0
Dutch HC.	2	Pats	2
Commandos	0	RAF	0
HKU	2	Chand Tara	1

**ENGLAND HELD TO GOALLESS DRAW**  
Hull, March 4.

England, who had beaten Wales and Ireland in previous Amateur international matches, this season were held to a goalless draw by Scotland here today.

A crowd of 80,000 watched the game, which was held at the Glasgow Celtic Ground.

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## Sports personality:

## "Bimbi" Ablong



Alfred Ernest Ablong, better known to most people as "Bimbi" was born on December 15, 1918, the eldest of a family of four girls and five boys, in a keen sportsman, whose love for outdoor life had its beginning in his early youth.

During Bimbi's schooling period at La Salle College, where he finished in 1934, Ablong was devoted adherent to the Boy Scout movement, being eventually appointed Scoutmaster of the 2nd H.K. Cathedral Troop, and later St. Teresa's.

Bimbi's greatest scouting thrill was leading the troop to Shanghai in 1934 for a jamboree.

In the line of sports, our five feet three inches personality is a ball of fire in spite of his height—limitation, and won the La Salle field and track Junior Championship in 1933, being particularly good at sprints.

After leaving school, Bimbi participated in most of the local sports, his favourites being baseball, football and softball—though Bimbi confesses it's hard to tell which is his first choice when every sport offers him healthy recreational activity.

In football, Bimbi started out in 1938 representing Liga Portuguesa, and the PCA during the years preceding the Pacific War, while during the post-war period, he has continued regularly for St. Joseph's Second XI.

In the days when baseball was a popular local pastime, Bimbi formed his own team, the Comets, and won the unofficial Junior League, taking over himself, the onerous task of coaching.

Softball being similar to the older game of baseball in many respects, it was not unnatural that Bimbi took to this relatively new sport, and ever since the introductory days, he has been a loyal supporter both on and off the field.

Bimbi who is now coaching the Pirates Ladies' Team, assisted in the training of the Wahoos and contributed much to laying the foundation of the present League Champions.

During the War, Bimbi was imprisoned at Shamshui, later being drafted to Japan where he worked in the mines.

After his release, he spent a much needed rest, during which time he travelled far and wide.

**Pounces on ball**  
About seven minutes after the resumption, Au Chi-yin pounced on a pass by Ng Yue-wai and, speeding between the two Kwong Wah backs, lobbed the ball into the net past the advancing goalie Tam Woon-cheuk, to draw first blood.

A few minutes' later, Chong Man-ken was penalised for tripping Yuen Yiu-lam in the penalty area and Au Chi-yin scored from the spot to put the Police two up.

For the rest of the game, Police continued to press, with Kwong Wah breaking away occasionally.

However, poor finishing on the part of the Kwong Wah forwards nullified all efforts to score.

Police: Tsang Wing, Lau Wai, Ho Shing, Tsang Sik-hong, Leung Shun-chi, Lau Wing-kwong, Ng Yue-wai, Tam Chun-shing, Au Chi-yin, Chow Han-man, Yuen Yiu-lam.

Kwong Wah: Tam Woon-cheuk, Chong Man-ken, Tang Chuen-ming, Lee Shu-fai, Leung Mok-sui, Lau Wai, Wan Hok-kam, Chung King-sang, Cheuk Shok-ken, Lau Pui.

**Wah Yan College triangular sports meet today**  
The Wah Yan College annual sports meet will be held at Caroline Hill today, commencing at 10 a.m.

This year, the meet is being run as a triangular contest between the three sister Colleges, Wah Yan, Morning School, and Wah Yan Kowloon School, and Wah Yan Kowloon School.

This is the first contest of its kind to be organised by Wah Yan College and keen competition is expected.

There will also be a relay race for the girls of the Colony's Convent Schools.

The Hon. Mr. A. N. Chai will present the prizes on conclusion of the meet.

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## Cricket:

## RAF beat 'Occasionals' by six wickets

In a friendly cricket match at Chater Road yesterday, Royal Air Force beat Hong Kong Cricket Club "Occasionals" by six wickets. After passing the total of 91 runs knocked up by the "Occasionals" the Airmen continued to bat and at the time stumps were drawn, had scored 149 runs for nine wickets.

Taking first lease of the wicket, the "Occasionals" found runs difficult to get in the face of keen bowling by the Airmen.

Only C. Blott (35) and H. M. Newton (20) offered any challenge to the RAF bowlers.

Tyrer was the most successful RAF bowler, taking four wickets for 42 runs. Davenport claimed two wickets for nine runs, Hurst also accounted for two of the "Occasional" batsmen, but gave away 20 runs.

E. C. Dunn, who opened the RAF innings with D. M. Ogilvie, laid the foundation for a RAF victory.

After Ogilvie had been bowled by Cull with only three runs to his credit, Dunn was joined by Cunningham.

In the course of a second wicket stand, Dunn and Cunningham scored 30 runs each.

B. Cooper also did well with the bat and scored 34 runs.

The bowling of the Chater Road team proved ineffective, Kerr being the only man to do anything with the ball. He took three RAF wickets for 13 runs in two overs.

**HKCC "Occasionals"**  
A. White b Tyrer c Substitue b 0  
R. S. Cull c Tyrer b 0  
C. Blott run out 0  
K. M. S. Wilson b Tyrer 4  
G. Pritchard c Tyrer b 0  
A. M. Nolan c Substitue b 0  
Hurst 0  
R. MacPherson lbw Davenport 8  
J. Sulaman not out 0  
H. M. Newton c Madger b 20  
Tyrer 0  
Thorpe b Madger 0  
O. J. Kerr b Hurst 0  
Extras 10  
Total 91

**Bowling Analysis**  
Tyrer 0 11.2 1 42 4  
Davenport 8 1 20 2  
Hurst 8 4 0 2  
Madger 3 0 10 1

**RAF**  
E. C. Dunn lbw White 30  
D. M. Ogilvie b Cull 33  
G. Cunningham c Blott b 36  
K. C. H. Ball c MacPherson b 0  
A. D. Parks b MacPherson b 0  
G. West b MacPherson 0  
B. Cooper at Newton b Kerr 34

**IRCC—Mr. Divecha's XI**  
At Soekunpo yesterday, Mr. M. J. Divecha's XI beat the Indian Recreation Club in an all-day friendly cricket match by 163 runs.

Battling first, Divecha's XI declared after scoring 197 runs for six wickets. J. Leriou was top-scorer with 50 runs.

Others to come off with the bat for Divecha's XI were George Souza (31), Divecha (24 not out), F. Kermali (23) and P. Ragi (21).

In reply, the Indians could only muster 34 runs to which M. J. Razaok contributed 16 runs.

Kermali was in devastating form with the ball and captured six wickets for six runs. He bowled eight overs, four for which he was maidens. Ragi took two wickets for four runs.

**THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB NOTICE TO MEMBERS**  
THIRD RACE MEETING  
Saturday, 11th March, 1950.

There are ten races, the First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the First Race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

Through-Tickets (10 Races—\$20.00) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurer, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race as well as the Special Cash Sweep on the Hong Kong Derby to be run at the Easter Race Meeting in April, 1950. Cash Sweep tickets on the last race and those for the Hong Kong Derby may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

**MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE**  
Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

**NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.**  
Badges admitting Ladies not in possession of Brooches or Season tickets and gentlemen, non members of the Club, to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at 10.00 including the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for payment of all bills etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurer's Comptroller's Office will close at 11 a.m. and the Secretary's Office at 11.45 a.m. Both Offices are 1st Floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 27818).

**NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.**

**PUBLIC ENCLOSURE**  
The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

**BOOKMAKERS, TIC TAC MEN, ETC., WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO OPERATE WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB DURING THE RACE MEETING.**

**BEVERAGES AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE OBTAINABLE IN THE RESTAURANT IN THE PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.**

**SERVANTS' BARBER**  
Servants' passes will be issued to private domestic servants who are requested to distribute them with accompanying passes to the Club's Barber, who will be on duty at the Club's Barber during the race meeting.

Not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for bona fide reasons and their duties and must remain in their employ during the race meeting.

**BY ORDER**  
S. A. LEE, Secretary.

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